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I consider it a distinct privilege to have had the opportunity of gathering and recording some of the stories and legends that were connected with the life of my Greatgrandfather, William Fox. I am quite sure that some have been forgotten and it would not have been many years until all would have been forgotten and forever lost.

It is with regret that I am unable to include herein the ancestors of William and Jane Darden Fox, and hope that at some future date such information will be available to you.

The list of descendants of William and Jane Darden Fox is as complete as I was able to secure and it is my hope this too will be of some benefit to all of us and that we as a family will feel closer by virtue of the relationship.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all who contributed in any way to this work; for the many nice letters it has been my pleasure to receive and for the pleasant association with you. It has been most enjoyable and I am humbly grateful to all of you.

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THE STORY OF WILLIAM FOX

BY: Ezelle Fox

William Fox was born in the vicinity of Montreal, Provinceof Quebec, Dominion of Canada, circa 1800. (1)

While a very young lad, he was apprenticed to a gentleman who operated a cobbler's shop in Montreal, Canada. Evidently this apprenticeship was broken, for one day while at work he observed a regiment of Canadian soldiers marching down the street and his attention was drawn to the band as it played. He expressed a desire to learn to beat the drum and arrangements were soon made to place him in the band. When the time for his departure came, the family he was living with accompanied him to the port, where he was transported with a regiment of Canadian soldiers to take part in the War of 1812. In a battle at Detroit, Michigan, he was captured by the American forces. In all probability this was the second battle of Detroit, which occurred in September, 1813, as the American forces were thoroughly defeated in the first battle. After the conflict had ended, he was accorded the privilege of returning to his homeland or of remaining in the United States, and he elected to remain in the United States.

I am sure that neither he or his parents realized that the day of his departure from Canada was to be the last time they would see each other, as he never returned nor communicated with them after that time.

His position with the Canadian Army Band is assumed to be of civilian nature, as no record of his service can be found.

After his release, he made his way through the country to a salt mine on a navigable river where boats would dock and load salt. The Captain of a boat offered to take him down the river to see the country and he stopped in Carroll County, Tennessee.(2)

There is a difference of opinion among members of the family about this. Some say he went to Virginia, and then to Tennessee. We find in our study of the history of this war that the members of the American forces engaged in that section of the conflict were from Ohio, Michigan, Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia and probably other States. We can readily assume that he became acquainted with some member of the American forces, who took him to his home. Here he grew to manhood in the State of his adopted parents.

The next important event which happened in the life of William Fox, was his marriage on March 3rd, 1825, to Jane Darden. She was born January 10, 1805, in Tennessee. To this union the following children were born: "William Fox, Junior,

the son of William and Jane Fox, was born the 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, 1827, Carroll County, Tenn; John Wesley Fox, was born the third day of April in the year of our Lord, 1829, Carroll County, Tenn; Henry Green Fox, was born the second of February, in the year of our Lord, 1831; Mary Elizabeth Fox was born the first of October in the A.D., 1835. Recorded the 23rd day of Oct A.D., 1835, on Friday; Martha Jane Fox, was born the 10th day of June A.D., 1839, Robertson County, Tenn."(3)

The above information in quotes, having been recorded herein verbatim from the Bible of William and Jane Darden Fox provides us with the information that the family moved from Carroll County, Tennessee, which is located in the west central part of the State to Robertson County, Tennessee, which lies north from Nashville. The question immediately arises as to why he moved east, as the migration at that time was to the west, but on examination of our histories we find the settlers of western Tennessee were being attacked by marauding bands of Indians who were being driven from their lands in Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama. So in face of that situation it would be only natural for him to move to a more densely populated area and where relatives resided, for the safety of his family. The Dardens were among the earliest settlers of Robertson County, Tennessee, where a number of the descendants still reside.

The 6th day of June, 1845, was perhaps, in the mind of William Fox, a day which he considered of greatest importance. For it was on this day his petition for Naturalization was granted, and he preserved the original document, which is in form and words, as follows, to-wit:

"State of Tennessee

At a Circuit Court begun and held for the County of Robertson at the Courthouse in the Town of Springfield on the first Monday in June 1845 present the Hon M A Martin Esq Judge elect of the 7th Judicial Circuit of said State presiding, when on the 4th day of said term, amongst other things, the following proceedings were had to wit:

Exparte: The petition of Wm Fox for Naturalization

Be it remembered that on this the 6th day of June 1845 this cause came on to be heard and was heard, before the Hon. M.A. Martin one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of the State of Tennessee, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court by proof, that the said William Fox came to the United States, while he was an infant under the age of Twenty one years, that he came into the United States in the year 1812 or 1813, and that he has remained in America ever since the time of his first coming, and that he is a man of good morals and character and having made the declaration required by law in writing, sworn to as directed by law. It is therefore ordered adjudged & decreed by said Court, that said Wm. Fox be, and he is hereby admitted to all the rights

and privileges of an American Citizen in all things, Whereupon the said Wm. Fox came into open Court and took the several oaths prescribed by law and it is further ordered that a Copy of this Decree be furnished him the said Fox, on his application for the same, and that he pay the costs in this Cause.

State of Tennessee)
Robertson County) I, Jesse Davis Clerk of the Circuit Court for said County do certify, that the foregoing is a true and perfect copy of the Decree made by said Court in said Cause, as appears of record in my Office.

S.S. Given under my hand and private seal, having no seal of office, at Office in the Town of Springfield, this 30 day of July, 1845 of our Independence the 70th year.

Jesse Davis Clk" (4)

In all probability the naturalization proceedings were planned while he was living among friends that had known him for a number of years.

There was a lot of talk among his neighbors about Texas, which had been admitted to the Union, and many of them were making plans to move to Texas. He too, began preparations for moving to Texas, so in the year 1847, he and his family and other Tennesseans, including some of the Dardens, arrived in Harrison County, Texas, having traveled most of the way by boat. He settled in the north central part of Harrison County, near the Marion County line, where he engaged in farming. This new country was surely the place he had dreamed of, rich virgin soil, and an ample supply of water and timber.

He evidently rented land for the first few years in Texas, as a search of the records of Harrison County, reveals that on September 21, 1855, he purchased 640 acres of the Joseph Dial Survey, being "all that tract of land on which the said William Fox now lives" for the sum of Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars.(5)

It was not long after their arrival in the new country until their children began to marry and make homes of their own, in most instances in different parts of Texas.

And before many more years had passed, he was again to witness a great struggle, the War between the States, in which war he and his wife saw their three sons and two sons-in-law enter and fight for the Southern cause. After hostilities had ceased, all returned to their homes, except one son-in-law, George H. Cabiness, who lost his life in the conflict.

William Fox relied completely on gold as his medium of exchange, and during the war or soon thereafter, he was

approached on the idea of trading his gold for paper money and after much thought and meditation he traded, which resulted in a severe economic loss to him.(6)

Many years prior to the adventure in Texas, he had had trouble with his money. While working on a boat on the Mississippi river, he leaned over the side of the boat too far, and his money pouch slipped out of his coat pocket and fell into the river.(7)

In my search of the records of Harrison County, Texas, the first instrument appearing of record where William Fox name appears is a Bill of Sale and is quoted in part as follows:

"Know all men by these presents, that we Jacob Womack and Ann Womack, wife of the said Jacob, by our attorney in fact, N.H. Wilson, all of the County of Harrison, in the State of Texas, for the purpose of securing the payment of the note hereinafter described, have sold, transferred and delivered, and by these presents do hereby sell, transfer and deliver unto William Fox, of the County aforesaid the following described property, goods and chattels to-wit ; One negro woman, Slave for life, of a black complexion, about thirty eight years old and called Mana, and also our way going crops now growing on our plantation in the County aforesaid, to him the said William Fox, his heirs, executors and administrators, to have and to hold the same forever, and we the said Jacob and Ann, by our Attorney as aforesaid do hereby agree to warrant and for___ defend the title to the above described property against the claim or claims of all persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same.

Jacob and Ann Womack by their Attorney-in-fact, executed a note to the said William Fox, for the sum of Two Hundred Ninety One and 66/100 Dollars, which was dated the second day of May, Eighteen Hundred Fifty." (8)

From all the information I have been able to secure, it is definitely known that William Fox never owned slaves, yet as shown by the above instrument he made a loan to Mr. Jacob Womack, and one slave was included as a part of the collateral to secure the payment of the note.

On the 25th day of June, 1875, William Fox purchased a tract of land south of Thornton, Limestone County, Texas, being 640 acres of B. Gillespie Survey.(9) The story is told, that after making a thorough inspection of the land, he and the owners or agents met at the railroad station where they completed the deal. As they sat on the platform at the station, he took from the saddle bags which he carried a sufficient amount of gold for the down payment on the land. He then took the train to return to his home in Harrison County, going by way of Houston.(10) After arriving home he made preparation to move to his new home

in Limestone County. There were two or three log houses located on the land at the time he purchased it, and one of the houses consisted of a large room on the south and one on the north, with a covered porch or hall between them. William and Jane Darden Fox moved into the south room, and later in 1876, when Martha Jane Fox Hogue and family moved to Limestone County, they occupied the north room. And in the same year (1876) John Wesley Fox and family moved to Limestone County, and occupied the other log house which was located a short distance southwest from the one above described.(11) It was evidently only a short time after William Fox had acquired the above tract of land that his son, Henry Green Fox acquired a portion off the east side of the survey, and in due time, with all of the menfolk working together, had built a home for each of the families.

I am told the relationship that existed among the families, was of sincere love and devotion; that whenever one was in need of assistance, all were ready and willing to help.(11) I can well imagine the profound joy my Great-grandparents must have experienced in living near three of their children and their families.

But, they were not to enjoy this pleasure and their new home together for very long, for on the 25th day of February, 1879, the beloved companion who had been a most dutiful wife and devoted mother passed from this life. She was truly a pioneer in her own right, having spent the greater part of her life living in the new regions of Tennessee and Texas. He was grief stricken over his loss and soon moved to the home of his son, Henry Green Fox, where he spent the remainder of his days.

Many years after their demise, Mrs. J.K. Bivins, nee Viola Cobb, refers to William and Jane Darden Fox in her book "Memoirs" in the manner following: "Our older girls had to go to Harrison County to attend school where they boarded with our step-grandparents, the Foxes (the only grandparents we ever knew)"(12) Her reference to "Our older girls" was her older sisters.

During all the years William Fox had maintained a home he had been very active, but now not being physically able to work, he would read his Bible and sing or hum tunes out his hymn book, which book is now in the possession of the writer. After he had tired of reading, he derived a lot of pleasure in playing his drum, and would play it for hours. He was very efficient in playing it and knew exactly how to adjust the skin covering to play certain music and could play any tune that was suggested, but was especially proficient in playing a military march. I am told that when he played a lively military march, you could not resist keeping step and time to the music. He was very particular about the care given the drum, and kept it under his bed and his grandchildren knew definitely that they were not to

touch the drum or drumsticks. It is not known whether or not the drum he kept as long as he lived, was the drum that was originally issued to him.(11)

He had a lot of time to meditate and think and would often relate to the children of Henry Green Fox and others of the grandchildren that happened to be about the many interesting events of his life. It is from this source I have secured my information, and I am sure many interesting items have been forgotten.

He told them of the good times he had playing with his brothers and sisters; of his father and mother, however by that time he had forgotten the given names of his parents. He would often speak of his parents, brothers and sisters and weep because he had lost contact with them. It is not known to the writer when and what methods were used in his effort to contact them.

Someone has said he remembered his brothers' names as John and Henry, and his sisters' names as Mary and Martha, and that he named his children accordingly.(13)

We can well imagine too, the deep concern of his family as they waited and waited for him to return or to even hear one word from him. It is not difficult for me to visualize his mother, as the many, many times she would glance down the road that passed their home, and say to herself "Billie will surely be the next person to travel that road".

It would be folly to attempt to set forth here an explanation for his negligence in not communicating with his family. It may have been that at his age, for I do not believe he was over 14 years of age at the time, that he fully realized the predicament it would place him in later; the opportunity to live in and explore a new country may have inspired him to the extent that he did not care; or he may have feared punishment from his parents for his delay in returning, or that in going back he would have to finish his apprenticeship.

It is wholly within the realm of possibility to conjecture that at first he planned to return to his home after a few years in the new country, but after being gainfully employed and upon reaching maturity, his plans were changed. Then to, he had become acquainted with the beautiful Tennessee lass, and after their marriage, his only thought was to provide for and make a home for his bride, and after the children came to bless their home, he never reached the place where he thought he was able to afford the time and expense of a trip to visit them.

Like all who travel the pathway of life, there is a beginning and an end, and so it was with William Fox. His obituary reads as follows:

"Fox-Bro. Wm. Fox was born in Montreal, Canada, in the year 1800. He went out as a drummer boy in the war of 1812; was captured by the United States's forces, and brought as a prisoner to the United States. When the war closed he became a citizen of the United States. He was married to Miss Jane Darden, of Tennessee, on the 3d of March, 1825. He moved from Robinson County, Tenn., to Harrison County, Texas, in the year 1847, and in 1875 he came to Limestone County, Texas, where, on the 12th day of June, 1889, at the house of his son, H.G. Fox, he passed away. He embraced religion in early life, and lived a consistent Christian life until death. The married life of these two saints, were blessed with five children, four of whom still live-- Henry G. Fox and Mattie J. Hogue, of Thornton, Texas; Mary E. Cobb, of Wayne, Cass County, Texas; Wm. Fox, of Reilly Springs, Hopkins County, Texas; besides a host of grand and great-grandchildren. A good citizen and a Christian gentleman has gone, but we weep not as those who have no hope. His was a triumphant death.

THORNTON, TEXAS J.O. Jordan" (14)

He was buried beside the grave of his beloved companion in the Vinson cemetery, which is located on the Joseph Gopeland Survey southeast from Thornton, Limestone County, Texas.

Thus, death brought to a close the chapter of the life of William Fox, who came into the United States, under circumstances over which he had no control, and he became a naturalized and useful citizen thereof.

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10) As told by Irbie Nance;
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14) Original obituary given to writer by Harris L. Fox, Dallas, Texas;

THE DARDEN FAMILY

BY: Ezelle Fox

I had plannned to include in this work some information about the family of my greatgrandmother, Jane Darden Fox, but have not been able to secure any.

The only Darden that I have ever heard my father, James Wesley Fox or other members of his family mention was Richard W. (Dick) Darden, who was a cousin of my great-grandmother. He moved to Falls County, Texas circa 1869 from Harrison County, Texas. He married Elizabeth Sowders and their children were: Ella, who married Ed Stone; Mary, who married H.P. Kay; Sallie S., who married D.A. (Dabb) Ridgway; Rhoda and Blanche. My father remembers three of the girls, Sallie, Rhoda and Blanche, as well as their father and mother. The families frequently visited each other at the time when my father was a child.

On the 6th day of October, 1952, I was in Marshall, Harrison County, Texas, to check the county records for information on the Fox and Darden families. I had previously corresponded with Mrs. Virginia Dyke, nee Parchman, whose great-grandmother was Virginia Darden. She is of the opinion that Virginia and Jane Darden were sisters, but had no information about the family. I enjoyed my visit with Mr and Mrs Fred Dyke and especially our visit to the Scottsville cemetery and camp grounds. The camp ground was and is still, a popular meeting place for the people of that community. I can imagine that my great-grandfather, William Fox, and his family, the Dardens, Parchmans and others of the community spent many happy days there. Within the graveyeard is built a beautiful brick chapel where funerals are held and weddings are performed for those whose ancestors were early settlers in the community.

I shall not soon forget this visit and will be forever grateful to Mr and Mrs Dyke for their most generous and genuine southern hospitality.

In my search of the early records of Harrison County, I found several names of Darden, but had no way to determine how they were related to Jane Darden Fox. They are as follows: Clarence E. Darden; Henry Darden; Robert Darden; Wiley Darden; Ed. Darden; James A. Darden and James C. Darden.

Mrs. J.K. Bivins, nee Viola Cobb, whose mother was Susan Virginia Darden, gives us some information about the family in her book "Memoirs" which I quote:

"My mother Susan Virginia Darden Cobb, was the daughter of Hezekiah and Mahala Fiser Darden." "In February, 1849, with his bride (she was referring to William Frederick and Susan Virginia Darden Cobb) of a few days and two brothers-in-law, John Moulton and J ke Darden and their brides, he

joined a large caravan consisting of fifty or more covered wagons bound for the gold fields of California. The companion couples of fellow pioneers, the Jake Dardens and John Moultons, remained in the new country about two years before they were obsessed with a yearning to return to the haunts of their childhood and their native state."

I include in quotation some of the remarks made by James MacClamroch of Greensboro, North Carolina, a descendant of Stephen Durden, the immigrant, at the annual meeting of the Darden Descendants Association at Spring Hill, Halifax County, North Carolina, on Sunday, August 12, 1951.

In speaking of the origin of our surnames he said "Darden appears to have been a place name and it has been said that the place is Dearden in Lancashire in northwest England. It has also been said that the name is Norman French, de Arden or D'Arden, which evokes the question as to what Arden is, a town, estate, place in France, and where. In the English records we find Dearden, Duerden, Durden, but no Darden, which indicates that the change came about in America. The only record I find of the immigrant, Stephen Durden, is as Durden, but after a generation or so we find Darden and this is the form of the name usually to be found today, altho there is a small branch of the family in Georgia which still retains the Durden spelling."

"While I am not absolutely positive, it is my belief that all of the numerous Dardens and the considerably lesser number of Durdens in the United States are descendants of Stephen Durden, the immigrant, who was my great-grandfather. I am of the 12th generation from him. Stephen Durden settled in what is now Nansemond County, Virginia,,it was then Upper Norfolk County, sometime prior to the 14th day of March, 1649, the date of a patent to him for 150 acres of land."

"Possibly the most prominent member of the family today is Colgate W. Darden, former Governor of Virginia and now President of the University of Virginia at Charlottesville. Perhaps the most famous member of the family was Miles Darden who was born at or near Rich Square, Northampton County, North Carolina in 1798, and weighed over 1,000 pounds at the time of his death in Henderson County, Tennessee, in 1857. He was 7½ feet tall and was undoubtedly the heaviest man who ever lived. He was twice married and left children, none of whom attained his gigantic proportions."

"The family has two towns named for it or one of its members; Darden, North Carolina. Darden, Tennessee, in Henderson County, was named for Miles Darden."

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WILLIAM FOX, JR

By: Ezelle Fox

The first child born of the marriage of William and Jane Darden Fox was a boy, and I can imagine that both were in agreement that their first born should bear the father's name, so they named him William Fox, Jr. He was born the 19th day of December, 1827, in Carroll County, Tennessee. (1)

He went to Robertson County, Tennessee with his parents in his early teens, and then in 1847 he moved with the family to Harrison County, Texas.

He was approaching the age of twenty when the family arrived in Texas, so it is my opinion that whatever schooling he received was in Carroll and Robertson Counties, Tennessee.

After the family was well established in their new Texas home, he decided to establish a home of his own, so on the 1st day of January, A.D., 1852, he was married to Miss Tyresah Octavia Rodgers, in Harrison County, Texas.(2) She was born July 18th, 1831, in Tennessee. Although I have not been so informed, I am willing to surmise that this marriage culminated an acquaintanceship that began in Tennessee.

He and his family lived in Harrison County for a few years, then moved to a community near Reilly Springs, Hopkins County, Texas. They must not have lived in Hopkins County for very long before the War between the States was declared, and as soon as he could get his family situated where he could leave them, he answered the call to serve the cause of the South, and his record is as follows:

> William Fox, Jr., enlisted August 17, 1861, and served under Capt. J.M. Jordan's Co for Beat No. 10, Hopkins County, 9th Brigade, Texas Militia and attained the rank of 3rd Corporal.(3)

At the end of hostilities William Fox, Jr., was discharged in the Corpus Christi area and like many of his comrades, was tired, weary, ragged, and without money. He at once began his homeward journey on foot and as the days passed he realized that probably he was near the vicinity where his brother, Henry Green Fox lived. After making several inquiries, he was advised that Henry Fox did live several miles farther on. Darkness came before he reached his brother's home and he became lost, so he decided to halloo, and Henry hearing and recognizing the voice of his brother, answered the call and they were soon reunited. He was given shelter, food and clothing and a pair of shoes made by Henry. After a few days rest, Henry took him on his horse to the north side of the Trinity River from where he continued his journey to his home in Hopkins County, where his wife and children anxiously awaited his arrival.(4)

The following children were born to the marriage of William Fox, Jr., and Tyresah Octavia Rodgers Fox:

1. Elizabeth Jane Fox, born May 8, 1854,
   Died June 18, 1854;

2. Mary Ellen Fox, born November 26, 1855,
   Died November 14, 1870;

3. James William Fox, born March 26, 1858,
   In Harrison County, Texas;

4. John Luther Fox, born June 30, 1861,
   Died October 21, 1864;

5. Henry Gordon Fox, born September 14, 1866,
   in Hopkins County, Texas;

6. Joseph Adolphus Fox, born May 8, 1870,
   in Hopkins County, Texas;

7. Martha Isabella Evaline Fox, born April 28, 1872,
   Died August 11, 1880.

Tyresah Octavia Rodgers Fox died on the 25th day of January, 1892, and William Fox, Jr., died on the 7th day of July, 1897.

The descendants of William Fox, Jr., and Tyresah Octavia Rodgers Fox, are:

3. JAMES WILLIAM FOX married Mary Jane Grace Kirk, June 19, 1879. She was born January 23, 1862, in Mississippi. He died June 30, 1930. Their children are:

3-a-Mary Elizabeth Fox, born April 24, 1880, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Griff H. Holbrook, September 1, 1934. He died March, 1937.

3-b-Willie Octavia Fox, born August 26, 1882, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married C.K. Connor, December 31, 1905. Their children are:

b-1-Erma D. Connor, born October 18, 1907, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Valton Lee Rhodes, September 19, 1936. He was born September 4, 1915, in Hopkins County, Texas. Their child:
Gerald Ray Rhodes, born July 1, 1937, in Hopkins County, Texas. Died August 8, 1938.

b-2-Claudie Connor, born September 22, 1916, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Claud Erble Tittle. He was born November 5, 1922, in Bexar County, Texas. Their children are:
Sheredan Ann Tittle, born January 15, 1945, in Hopkins County, Texas;
Annette Tittle, born March 26, 1952, in Hopkins County, Texas.

3-c-James Robert Fox, born April 15, 1890, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Vera Eunice Hughens, February 8, 1917. He died March 6, 1942 and is buried in Union Cemetery, Hopkins County, Texas. Their child is:

c-1-Robert Ronald Fox, born March 12, 1918, In Hopkins County, Texas.

3-d-Mathew Bigrett Fox, born August 1, 1892, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Eula Jones, February 9, 1913. She was born February 22, 1892, in Tennessee. Their children are:

d-1-Dalton Fox, born November 16, 1914, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Florence Tillery, September 1, 1942. She was born July 23, 1916, in Camp County, Texas.

d-2-B.J. Fox, born October 5, 1918, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Ollie Mae McSween, September 1, 1945. She was born November 19, 1919, in Navarro County, Texas. Their children are:

Lenwood Fox, born July 11, 1946, at Dallas, Texas

Kathy Fox, born August 4, 1950, at Dallas, Texas

3-e-George Carolines Fox, born June 26, 1894, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Jessie L. Webb, August 22, 1915. She was born March 10, 1894, in Burleson County, Texas. Their child is:

e-1-Reba Esteene Fox, born June 23, 1919, in Trinity County, Texas. She married Jack Harrison, March 1, 1941. He was born September 17, 1912, in Shelby County, Texas.

5. HENRY GORDON FOX married Emma M. Smith, March 2, 1890. She died February 15, 1892. One child was born to this marriage:

5-a-John William Fox, born June 18, 1891, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Carrie Mae Walton, February 15, 1926. She was born May 10, 1902, in Trinity County, Texas. He died February 9, 1942. Their child:

a-1-Wanda Fox, born December 15, 1926, in Trinty County, Texas. Died December 20, 1926.

Henry Gordon Fox married Mrs. Ophelia Smith Kirk, January 7, 1903. She was born September 17, 1878, in Hopkins County, Texas. He died January 9, 1939. Their children are:

5-b-Glaucus Fox, born September 29, 1903, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Bertie Mae Teer, January 5, 1924. She was born May 11, 1907, at Emory, Rains County, Texas. Their children are:

b-1-Alvin Fox, born March 16, 1925, in Trinity County, Texas. He married Ella V. Willis, February 22, 1947, at Burke, Angelina County, Texas. She was born March 14, 1927, in Polk County, Texas. Their children are:

Beverly Dianne Fox, born November 22, 1948, in Angelina County, Texas
Raymond Alvin Fox, born November 15, 1949, in Angelina County, Texas
Boyd Allen Fox, born January 16, 1951, in Angelina County, Texas
Williard Dale Fox, born December 13, 1952, in Polk County, Texas

b-2-Henry Daniel Fox, born August 9, 1926, in Trinity County, Texas. Died August 8, 1927.

b-3-Martha Ellen Fox, born April 1, 1931, in Trinity County, Texas. She married Alvin Winfield Powell, May 4, 1946, at Corrigan, Polk County, Texas. He was born December 18, 1924, in Tyler County, Texas. Their children are:
Sandra Gail Powell, born February 9, 1948, in Polk County, Texas
Larry Winfield Powell, born May 8, 1950, in Polk County, Texas

b-4-Dorothy Frances Fox, born May 27, 1933, in Angelina County, Texas. She married Ernest Doyle Cook, November 26, 1948, in Polk County, Texas. He was born in 1929, in Cherokee County, Texas. Their child is:
Ernest Mikiel Cook, born in Cherokee County, Texas.

b-5-Glenn Edward Fox, born March 14, 1936, in Angelina County, Texas

b-6-Billie Ruth Fox, born August 23, 1940, in Angelina County, Texas

b-7-Richard Ferriel Fox, born May 1, 1945, in Polk County, Texas

b-8-Brenda Darlene Fox, born April 9, 1947, at Corrigan, Polk County, Texas

5-c-Ione Fox, born September 19, 1905, in Hopkins County, Texas. Died September 4, 1911.

5-d-Lola Fox, born June 10, 1907, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married George Torbert, December 26, 1923. He was born March 7, 1902, in Montgomery County, Texas. Their children are:

d-1-Sidney Calvert Torbert, born May 14, 1925, at Groveton, Trinity County, Texas. He married Laura Lee Procelle, October 21, 1943, in Harris County, Texas. She was born October 12, 1925, at Shreveport, Louisiana. The were divorced December, 1949. Their children are:
Larry Lee Torbert, born February 8, 1945, in Harris County, Texas
Lonnie Calvin Torbert, born December 26, 1945, in Harris County, Texas
Sidney C. Torbert married Alta June Axely Vise, January 15, 1950. She was born March 16, 1922. Their child is:
Calva Jan Torbert, born July 18, 1951, in Harris County, Texas

d-2-Doyle Ray Torbert, born January 3, 1930, at Grove-

ton, Trinity County, Texas. He married Margie Maxine Sanders, June 4, 1949, at Diboll, Angelina County, Texas. They were divorced September 26, 1949, and Doyle R. Torbert married Edith Maree Coker, February 8, 1953. She was born December 4, 1932, at Columbia, South Carolina. Their child is:
George Michael Torbert, born January 12, 1954, at Columbia, South Carolina

d-3-Lovely Doileen Torbert, born and died July 19, 1931, in Trinity County, Texas

d-4-Wanda Gaye Torbert, born August 5, 1932, at Groveton, Trinity County, Texas. She married Robert Lee Hogue, July 22, 1950, at Burke, Angelina County, Texas. He was born May 14, 1930, in Angelina County, Texas. Their child is:
Gail Marcus Hogue, born March 25, 1951, at Lufkin, Angelina County, Texas
They were divorced March 22, 1951, and Wanda Gaye Torbert Hogue married Alfred Landrum, July 26, 1952. He was born March 1, 1930, in Angelina County, Texas. They were divorced July 26, 1953. Their child is:
George Thomas Landrum, born July 7, 1953, in Angelina County, Texas

d-5-Warren Gail Torbert, born July 20, 1934, at Groveton, Trinity County, Texas

5-e-Eugene Fox, born September 9, 1909, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Nina A. Burchfield, November 3, 1928. She was born January 4, 1912, in Trinity County, Texas. Their children are:

e-1-Nina Jean Fox, born March 15, 1930, at Groveton, Trinity County, Texas. She married Harrison Carey Anthony, April 30, 1945, in Harris County, Texas. He was born December 26, 1912, in Angelina County, Texas. Their children are:
James Carey Anthony, born August 10, 1948, in Angelina County, Texas
Susan Ann Anthony, born January 27, 1953, in Angelina County, Texas

e-2-Nelda Joy Fox, born December 3, 1931, at Groveton, Trinity County, Texas. She married Stuart Eugene Pippin, July 29, 1947, in Bristol, Virginia. They were divorced September 23, 1948.

e-3-Henry Earl Fox, born April 17, 1934, at Groveton, Trinity County, Texas

e-4-Janis Dell Fox, born July 1, 1937, at Rockland, Tyler County, Texas

e-5-Johnnie Sue Fox, born October 13, 1941, at Oakhurst, San Jacinto County, Texas

Eugene and Nina A. Fox were divorced April 18, 1945, and Eugene Fox married Mary Ruth Williams, April 20, 1945. She was born October 21, 1920, in Delta County, Texas. Their children are:

e-6-Mary Eugenia Fox, born August 9, 1948, at Houston, Harris County, Texas

e-7-Nancy Christene Fox, born March 1, 1951, at Houston, Harris County, Texas

5-f-Joseph Fox, born June 7, 1912, in Hopkins County, Texas. Died December 27, 1936.

5-g-Fred Fox, born March 7, 1915, in Hopkins County, Texas. Died February 15, 1918.

5-h-Marlin Fox, born August 18, 1917, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Ruby Jeraldine Howard, December 24, 1937. She was born November 20, 1921, in Trinity County, Texas. They were divorced October, 1943. Their children are:

h-1-Gordon Wayne Fox, born October 21, 1939, in Harris County, Texas

h-2-Paul Richard Fox, born October 9, 1941, in Angelina County, Texas

Marlin Fox married Mavis Virginia Fincher, March 23, 1944. She was born December 4, 1923, in Red River County, Texas. Their children are:

h-3-Linda Sue Fox, born October 19, 1946, in Red River County, Texas

h-4-Harold Glenn Fox, born November 9, 1948, in Red River County, Texas

h-5-Dudley Wayne Fox, born August 3, 1950, at Clarksville, Red River County, Texas

5-i-Ruth Fox, born May 26, 1921, at Groveton, Trinity County, Texas. She married Moody Smith, August 3, 1938. He was born February 20, 1916, in Shelby County, Texas. They were divorced December 3, 1951. Their children are:

i-1-Shirley Ann Smith, born February 2, 1941, at Lufkin, Angelina County, Texas

i-2-Moody Smith, Jr., born June 17, 1947, at Diboll, Angelina County, Texas

On May 26, 1952, Ruth Fox Smith married Archie Thomas White. He was born May 10, 1922, at Woodville, Tyler County, Texas.

6. JOSEPH ADOLPHUS FOX married Francis Smith, August 3, 1892. She was born December 8, 1872, in Alabama. He died May 25, 1906, and she died May 3, 1951. Their children are:

6-a-Beatrice Fox, born August 14, 1893, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Chester Camper, April 8, 1917. He was born September 1, 1897, in VanZandt County, Texas. She died November 11, 1927. Their children are:

a-1-Christine Camper, born January 24, 1918, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Homer Lee Creek, January 23, 1943. He was born December 11, 1918, in Tennessee. Their children are:

Henry Lee Creek, born December 4, 1943, in Hopkins County, Texas

Edith Kaye Creek, born September 22, 1945, in Hopkins County, Texas

a-2-Paul Camper, born June 18, 1919, in Hopkins County, Texas. Died July, 1920.

a-3-Chester Arvelle Camper, born January 14, 1922, in Wood County, Texas. He married Mildred Lee

Thompson, March 1, 1952. She was born September 5, 1930, at Strang, Oklahoma. Their child is:
Mary Jane Camper, born October 1, 1952, at Dallas, Texas

a-4-Reba Gerald Camper, born July 20, 1926, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Georgia LaVerne Springer, August 27, 1949. She was born June 16, 1930, in Hopkins County, Texas. Their child is:
Vicki Penea Camper, born December 16, 1952, at Fort Worth, Texas

6-b-Emma Lillian Fox, born January 1, 1895, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Ernest Murphy Rhodes, August 2, 1914. He died May 4, 1951. Their children are:

b-1-Valton Lee Rhodes, born September 4, 1915, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Erma D. Connor, September 19, 1936. She was born October 18, 1907, in Hopkins County, Texas. Their child is:
Gerald Ray Rhodes, born July 1, 1937, Died August 8, 1938.

b-2-Adell Rhodes, born November 5, 1916, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Marlon Friddle, December 22, 1937. He was born January 1, 1913, in Hopkins County, Texas. Their child is:
Jo Ann Friddle, born March 2, 1940, in Hopkins County, Texas

b-3-Vesta Louise Rhodes, born October 29, 1918, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Darrell Henry Seale. He was born November 3, 1913, in Hopkins County, Texas. Their children are:
Max Lynn Seale, born November 25, 1940, in Hopkins County, Texas
Emma Lou and Laura Sue Seale, born September 21, 1946, in Hopkins County, Texas
Rebecca Jo Seale, born September 12, 1952, in Hopkins County, Texas

b-4-J.A. Rhodes, born October 19, 1920, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Josephine Anne LaCounte, August 4, 1944. She was born October 3, 1921, in Brown County, Kansas. Their child is:
David A. Rhodes, born March 2, 1945, in Jackson County, Missouri.

b-5-Juanita Rhodes, born March 15, 1923, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Avon Friddle, November 29, 1939. He was born January 6, 1918, in Hopkins County, Texas. Their children are:
Anita Lou Friddle, born March 1, 1943, in Hopkins County, Texas
JacquelineSue Friddle, born September 18, 1945, in Hopkins County, Texas
Barbara Nell Friddle, born December 20, 1947, in Hopkins County, Texas

b-6-Laverne Rhodes, born November 27, 1925, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married L.C. Baxley, May 28, 1949. He was born July 12, 1920, in Hopkins County, Texas. Their child is:

Patric Ann Baxley, born October 20, 1953, in Hopkins County, Texas

6-c-Flora Fox, born December 12, 1897, in Collin County, Texas. She married Ike Horn, May 18, 1921. He was born March 26, 1897, at Oxford, Alabama. Their children are:

c-1-Jerry Allen Horn, born November 3, 1927, Died November 5, 1927;

c-2-Joe Kenneth Horn, born July 10, 1930, in Hopkins County, Texas

6-d-Edith Ione Fox, born January 12, 1899, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married Walter Philip Smith, January 28, 1917. He was born May 16, 1898, in Hopkins County, Texas.

6-e-Grace Fox, born October 15, 1901, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married James Jacob Smith, July 20, 1921. Their children are:

e-1-Wanda Gayle Smith, born July 2, 1922, in Hopkins County, Texas

e-2-James Junior Smith, born August 18, 1925, in Wood County, Texas. Died February 20, 1945.

e-3-Patsy Ruth Smith, born May 18, 1928, in Wood County, Texas. She married Elmo Leon Foster, January 28, 1949. He was born May 29, 1923, in Grayson County, Texas. Their child is:

Ronald Coleman Foster, born July 22, 1950, in Dallas, Texas

e-4-Dell Ray Smith, born June 18, 1931, in Wood County, Texas

e-5-Thomas Wayne Smith, born March 14, 1934, in Wood County, Texas

e-6-Bonnie Jean Smith, born September 13, 1936, in Wood County, Texas

6-f-Sam Fox, born September 1, 1903, in Hopkins County, Texas

6-g-Charlie Fox, born June 15, 1905, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Pearlie Winnett, August 31, 1924. She was born March 20, 1907, in Murray County, Oklahoma. Their children are:

g-1-Doris Jeanell Fox, born May 11, 1926, in Hopkins County, Texas. She married William Theodore Bush, July 6, 1950. He was born September 5, 1916, in Gilmer County, West Virginia. Their child is:

Andy Ray Bush, born April 29, 1952, in Marion County, Indiana

g-2-Clovis Dean Fox, born June 18, 1928, in Hopkins County, Texas. He married Doris Louise Watson, June 18, 1949. She was born January 20, 1931, in Hopkins County, Texas. Their child is:

Michael Wayne (Mike) Fox, born June 11, 1950, in Hopkins County, Texas

g-3-Herbert Dwayne Fox, born January 17, 1933,
in Hopkins County, Texas
g-4-Joe Glenn Fox, born February 19, 1935,
in Hopkins County, Texas
g-5-Lynda Sue Fox, born February 28, 1946,
in Hopkins County, Texas

References: 1) Family Bible of William and Jane Darden Fox, in possessionof Calvin H. Fox, Thornton, Texas
2) Vol. 2, page 134, Marriage Records of Harrison County, Texas
3) Letter from Adjutant General's Office, Austin, Texas
4) As told to writer by John Henry Fox

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THOSE OF THE Wm. FOX, Jr., FAMILY WHO
HAVE SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES IN
SERVICE TO THEIR COUNTRY.

ROBERT RONALD FOX (See Page 12) Serial No. 18 180 329. Was inducted October 19, 1942, and served in U.S. Air Force, 916th Signal Co., Depot (AVN). Company Commander-Capt. William L. Richmond. Overseas service: Panagarh, India and Shanghai, China. Left U.S. February 1945, returned to States March, 1946. Discharged March 28,1946.

ALVIN FOX - Enlisted in U.S. Navy, December 28, 1942, at Houston, Texas. Served in South Pacific and Japan. Discharged February 5, 1946, at San Francisco, California.

SIDNEY C. TORBERT, Pvt. Serial No. 38 752 567, Inducted August 6, 1945 at Houston, Texas. H.Q. Company 9th Infantry Division, Military Occupational Specialty and No.- Blue Print & Photostat Oper 028; Military Qualification and Date-Sharpshooter Rifle 18 Sept 1945; Left U.S. March 7, 1946, arrived in Europe March 15, 1946; Left Europe July 7, 1946, arrived in U.S. July 17, 1946. Decorations and citations - Army Occupation Ribbon, Germany Victory Ribbon. Received Honorable Discharge July 24, 1946 at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

DOYLE R. TORBERT, Cpl. Serial No. 54 014 899, Inducted February 12, 1951 at Fort Sam Houston. Assigned to Co. A, 106th Engr. Combat Bn., 31st Dixie Division. Spent 13 months at Fort Jackson, South Carolina; Two months at Camp Atterbury, Indiana; Four and one-half months in Germany, was attached to Co. C, 48th Armed Medical Battalion at Fort Kaserne, Bad Kresey Nach, Germany; Returned to States and discharged January 19, 1953 at Ft. Hood, Texas.

WARREN GAIL TORBERT, Serial No. AF 18 450 673; Enlisted January 7, 1954, Assigned to U.S. Air Force Sqdn. 3703, Flt. 35; Received basic training at Lackland A.F.B., San Antonio, Texas. Assigned to Tech School at Gary A.F.B., San Marcos, Texas, March 16, 1954.

HENRY EARL FOX, Serial No. 18 414 704; Enlisted in Air Force, August 15, 1951. Sworn in at Lackland A.F.B., San Antonio, Texas, August 18, 1951. Completed basic training October 14, 1951, at Sheppard A.F.B., Wichita Falls, Texas and promoted to Pfc. Was one of three boys chosen out of Flight 2009, 3747 Training Sqdn., for a Clerk-Typist course. Was sent to Oklahoma A & M College at Stillwater on October 15th. Graduated January 25, 1952 and promoted to Cpl. Was assigned to Hamilton A.F.B., Hamilton, California to the Finance Department of Hq. Sqdn., 566th A.B. Grp. Present rating: A/1c.

JOHN WESLEY FOX

By: Ezelle Fox

John Wesley was the second child born to William and Jane Darden Fox. He was born April 3, 1829, in Carroll County, Tennessee.(1) His parents moved to Robertson County, Tennessee, when he was in his teens and then in 1847, the family moved to Texas, settling in Harrison County.

He married Mrs. Martha Ann Durham, nee Martha Ann Craver. She was born March 19, 1826. Only one child is known to have been born to this marriage.

> Martha Jane Fox, born November 29, 1860, in Harrison County, Texas.

He participated in the War between the States on the side of the South and his record is as follows:

> "John Wesley Fox-enlisted April 12, 1862, at Jefferson, Texas. Rank Private, Company D, 18th Regiment Texas Infantry, Confederate States Army."(2)

After the conflict ended, he returned to his home in Harrison County, Texas where he lived until 1876, when he and his family moved to Limestone County, Texas. He was a farmer by occupation, and according to the records of Harrison County owned several tracts of land there at one time. He spent the remainder of his life on the farm in Limestone County he acquired from his father.

Martha Ann Craver Fox died February 1, 1884, and John Wesley Fox died January 19, 1888. They are buried in the Thornton cemetery.

The descendants of the marriage of John Wesley and Martha Ann Craver Fox are:

Martha Jane (Mattie) Fox married Frank E. Cleveland, November 28, 1878. They were married by Thomas Vinson, an Ordained Minister.(3) Frank E. Cleveland was born April 10, 1853. He died December 10, 1889. Their children are:

> Louis Cleveland, born September 21, 1886, in Limestone County, Texas
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> Arbertie E. Cleveland, born June 17, 1887, in Limestone County, Texas. He died December 19, 1887.
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> William Albert Cleveland, born June 17, 1889, in Limestone County, Texas. He died September 24, 1948.

Martha Jane Fox Cleveland married John Henry Fox, January 1, 1891. She died July 7, 1942, and he died July 27, 1946. Both are buried in Thornton cemetery. To this union was born:

Jewell Barbara Fox, born March 15, 1895, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Don E. Moxham, October 17, 1922, in Dallas, Texas.

References: 1) Family Bible of William and Jane Darden Fox;
2) Letter from Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D.C.
3) Vol. B, Page 247, Marriage Records, Limestone County, Texas

HENRY GREEN FOX

By: Ezelle Fox

Henry Green was the third child born to William and Jane Darden Fox. He was born February 2, 1831, in Carroll County, Tennessee. He came to Texas with his parents in 1847 from Robertson County, Tennessee and settled in Harrison County.

He must have inherited some of the adventurous characteristics of his father, such as his desire to seek a new country and have a part in it's development, for in 1853 we find him employed by Mr. Jesse Brothers, who later settled in the Blue Ridge community of Falls County, Texas. Mr. Brothers evidently operated on a large scale for he owned a large number of slaves and Henry Fox worked in the capacity of overseer of the slaves.

Living in or near the community where he worked was a family by the name of Vinson, and he soon became acquainted with their daughter, Barbara Ellen. She was the daughter of Wiley and Phoebe Vinson, and was born the 15th day of September, 1839, in Alabama. Having been on his own for some time, he decided it was about time he settled down, so he sought her hand in marriage, and they were married "on the 15th day of January, 1857, at Wiley Vinson's, Falls County, Texas, by Squire Ellis".(1) The following children were born to this marriage:

1. John Henry Fox, born October 20, 1857, in Limestone County, Texas; (2)

2. William Henderson Fox, born June 13, 1859, in Limestone County, Texas;

3. George Madison Fox, born June 17, 1861, in Limestone County, Texas;

4. Robert F. Fox, born August 14, 1863, in Limestone County, Texas. Died August 31, 1865;(2)

5. Mary Ella Fox, born February 17, 1866, in Limestone County, Texas; Died September 2, 1873; (2)

6. James Wesley Fox, born June 16, 1869, in Falls County, Texas;

7. Wiley Fox, born April 12, 1871, in Limestone County, Texas;

8. Calvin Herbert Fox, born June 3, 1873, in Limestone County, Texas;

9. Vesta Virgin Fox, born October 6, 1876, in Limestone County, Texas;

10. Leslie Green Fox, born December 6, 1878, in Limestone County, Texas;

11. Minnie Ruth Fox, born October 12, 1881, in Limestone County, Texas

After their marriage, they lived on her father's farm for a few years. Just prior to the outbreak of the Civil War, her father had purchased the Beverld Pool Survey, which is situated southeast from Thornton and while Henry Fox was in service, she and their children, John Henry, William Henderson, and George Madison, lived with her father and mother.(3)

The record of his service to his country is as follows:

"Henry Green Fox-Enlisted November 4, 1863, at Houston, Texas. Served with Captain J.L. Stevenson's Company F, 1st Regiment, State Troops, Texas Infantry, Confederate Army, with the rank of Private.(4)

He was a courier in the Civil War and at this particular time was stationed at Goliad. He was instructed to carry a dispatch toward the Corpus Christi camp and a courier from there would meet him at the Neuces River. When he and the other courier arrived at the river, it was out of banks and the courier would not cross over. My Grandfather told him that important messages were enclosed, which the courier doubted. So he finally opened the envelope and found it was an invitation to the Officers of the Corpus Christi area to attend a dance at their camp near Goliad.(5)

Although no record has been found, it is believed by members of his family, that Henry Green Fox was in service prior to his enlistment at Houston, for while serving with some troops or working for a contractor in Arkansas, he contracted white swelling in his left leg, and went to the home of his father and mother in Harrison County, Texas, where he remained until his health had improved.

After the War they continued to live on her father's farm until 1868 or 1869, when they moved to a farm in the Blue Ridge community in Falls County, Texas, where my father, James Wesley Fox was born. After living about one year in Falls County they returned to Limestone County, and lived upon a part of the Joseph Copeland Survey, which her father had previously purchased.

Then in about 1875 he bought a part of the B. Gillespie Survey, which his father had purchased, and he immediately commenced to improve the land and began the construction of a home thereon. After the death of my Great-grandmother Jane Darden Fox, my Greatgrandfather Fox went to live with my Grandfather and his family. He then constructed a one room house just south of the home, which they later referred to as the "boys' room". I wish that I could remember and record herein some of the incidents that happened there, which I have heard my father and his brothers relate.

I can imagine that my Grandmother was a busy housewife and mother, for with a large family the most of her time was

spent in looking after the nine children and her household duties. She was a devout Christian and an active member of the Methodist Church and saw that the family attended all church services. She would take the smaller children on her horse and the older children would walk to where they would attend church services. They would also attend the all day meetings where all would take their food and enjoy an old fashioned basket dinner with their neighbors. After dinner all would enjoy the afternoon singing the great hymns of the church. I know they thoroughly enjoyed them then as they do now.

I do not remember ever seeing my Grandmother, but can imagine she was a wonderful person, possessing all the superb qualities of a devoted Christian wife and mother.

They continued to live upon and till the land they had purchased in 1875, and it was here that all the children were reared. After most of the children had married, they built a home in Thornton where they resided for a few years and after a very full life, my Grandmother Barbara Ellen Fox departed this life on the 8th day of January, 1907. Her remains lie in the cemetery at Thornton.

A short time after my Grandmother's death, Calvin H. Fox and his family moved to the old homestead and my Grandfather lived with them the remainder of his days. He died the 30th day of March, 1919, and was buried beside the remains of his beloved companion in the cemetery at Thornton.

The descendants of Henry Green and Barbara Ellen Vinson Fox are:

1. JOHN HENRY FOX married Mrs. Martha Jane Cleveland, on January 1, 1891. She was born November 29, 1860, in Harrison County, Texas. She died July 7, 1942. He died July 27, 1946. Both are buried in Thornton cemetery. To this union was born:

Jewell Barbara Fox, born March 15, 1895, at Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married Don E. Moxham, October 17, 1922, at Dallas, Texas

2. WILLIAM HENDERSON FOX married Susie B. Lewis, on January 17, 1883. She was born April 19, 1862, in Georgia. He died January 2, 1910, at Mart, Texas, and is buried at Thornton, Texas. Their children are:

2-a-William Henry Fox, born December 22, 1883, in Limestone County, Texas. Died September 6, 1899

2-b-Lucius Greenup Fox, born October 8, 1885, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Cornie R. Fulton, July 25, 1909. She died in 1928. Then on August 18, 1929, he married Georgia E. Tucker Carmichael, at Ardmore, Oklahoma. No children.

2-c-Joseph Addison Fox, born September 23, 1887, in Limestone County, Texas

2-d-Infant son, born and died November 8, 1889, in Limestone County, Texas. Buried in Vinson cemetery.

2-e-Harris Lester Fox, born July 14, 1891, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Frances Elizabeth Cooper, March 21, 1921. She was born October 5, 1887, at Benton, Arkansas. No children

Susie B. Lewis Fox married M.T. Durham of Odds, Texas, December 11, 1912, at Marlin, Texas, and they resided at Mart, Texas. M. T. Durham died in 1923. She died the 26th day of March, 1924, and is buried at Thornton, Texas.

The story is told that the family of Susie B. Lewis Fox died of some malady and she was left an orphan. She came to Limestone County alone to live with her uncle, a Mr. Peters. She later lived with Mr and Mrs W.C. Gum and her first marriage occurred in their home. They had no children and willed their property to her. The Gums were affectionately known throughout the community as "Uncle Billie" and "Aunt Mary".

3. GEORGE MADISON FOX married Matilda Annie Powell, December 17, 1885 in Limestone County, Texas.(6) She was born November 24, 1866, in Limestone County, Texas, and was the daughter of Joseph Henderson Powell, who was born September 7, 1824, in Robertson County, Tennessee, and Caroline Matilda Herod Powell, who was born September 20, 1833, in Attalla County, Mississippi. George Madison Fox died September 21, 1931, and Matilda Annie Fox died March 29, 1951. Both are buried in Prairie Hill, Texas cemetery. Their children are:

3-a-Viola Fox, born November 7, 1886, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Garland D. Runnels, June, 1911. She died July 31, 1915. Their child is:

a-1-Eleanor Angeline Runnels, born May 20, 1913, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Lynn Kenneth Peterson, September 2, 1939. He was born April 5, 1910, in Minnesota. Their children are:

James P. Dee Peterson, born July 20, 1942, at Houston, Texas
Jennifer Lucy Peterson, born March 5, 1944, at Houston, Texas
Lynda Kathleen Peterson, born April 15, 1947, at Houston, Texas
Karen Eleanor Peterson, born March 2, 1948, at Houston, Texas
Eric Lynn Peterson, born May 10, 1949, at Houston, Texas
David Lee Peterson, born May 22, 1950, at Houston, Texas

3-b-Rubye Fox, born March 6, 1888, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married Robert W. Carpenter, July 4, 1909. He was born December 26, 1882, at Plano, Collin County, Texas. He died August 17, 1945. Their children are:

b-1-Robert W. Carpenter, Jr., born September 13, 1910, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Nelda Ruth Dunn, June 30, 1942. She was born June 14, 1918, in Limestone County, Texas.

b-2-Roy Fox Carpenter, born March 5, 1912, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Lois Cooper, March 26, 1931. She was born July 24, 1912, in McLennan County, Texas. Their children are:

Binnie Lee Carpenter, Born May 5, 1937, in Limestone County, Texas

Robert Alan Carpenter, born September 29, 1945, in Dallas County, Texas

b-3-Max Carpenter, born August 13, 1915, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Evelyn Cotton, November 29, 1936. She was born September 5, 1915, in Limestone County, Texas. He died April 22, 1953.

b-4-Charles Rex Carpenter, born August 29, 1921, in Johnson County, Texas. He married Mabel Charline Barber, July 28, 1951. She was born November 29, 1928, in Arkansas. Their child is:

Charles William Carpenter, born December 10, 1952, at Mexia, Texas

3-c-Neta Fox, born February 10, 1890, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married Frederick Earl Dearing, January 1, 1916. He was born June 6, 1889, at Brandon, Hill County, Texas. Their child is:

c-1-Frederick Earl Dearing, Jr., born December 21, 1919, at Prairie Hill, Limestone County, Texas. He married Lois Whitley, November 26, 1942. She was born November 13, 1922, at San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas. Their children are:

Frederick Earl Dearing III, born October 9, 1943, at Nacogdoches, Texas

Lois Elaine Dearing, born August 16, 1948, at Trinidad, Texas

3-d-Robert Fox, born November 15, 1891, in Limestone County, Texas. Died July 8, 1912.

3-e-Wilburn Washington Fox, born March 30, 1893, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Annie Pearl Wood, March 30, 1921. She was born November 5, 1898, at Murfreesboro, Rutherford County, Tennessee. She died November 6, 1926. Their child is:

e-1-James Wilburn Fox, born January 7, 1922, at Spur, Dickens County, Texas. He married Elliot Gene Hensley, August 18, 1946. She was born December 29, 1928, at Paducah, Texas. Their child is:

James Lasater Fox, born January 7, 1950, at Waco, McLennan County, Texas

3-f-Dollie Madison Fox, born December 23, 1895, at Prarie Hill, Limestone County, Texas. She married Lucian Merle Alexander, June 14, 1923. He was born October 31, 1897, at Prairie Hill, Limestone County, Texas. Their children are:

f-1-Wesley Merle Alexander, born March 9, 1926, at Prairie Hill, Texas. He married Mary Kathryn Stemm, August 26, 1949. She was born June 14, 1926, at Elkhart, Indiana. Their child is:

David Merle Alexander, born March 29, 1951, at Waco, Texas

f-2-Mary Helen Alexander, born January 11, 1928, at Prairie Hill, Texas She married Robert Louis Clinkscales, Jr., May 30, 1948. He was born August 12, 1926, in Amarillo, Texas.

3-g-Norton Fox, born February 12, 1898, at Prairie Hill, Limestone County, Texas. He married Mrs. Bessie Runnels Gill, May 31, 1937. She has a son by former marriage: John Charles Gill, born April 18, 1922, at Kansas City, Missouri.

3-h-Jesse Earle Fox, born January 31, 1900, near Prairie Hill, Limestone County, Texas. He married Lorena Katherine Hillyer, June 29, 1931.

3-i-Cecil Leonard Fox, born June 21, 1901, near Prairie Hill, Limestone County, Texas. He married Verna Lester Roberts, March 15, 1924. She was born June 6, 1902, at Steiner, Texas. Their child is:

i-1-Cecilia Joi Fox, born December 22, 1926, at Spur, Dickens County, Texas. She married Calvin B. Holloway, February 3, 1945. He was born August 6, 1926, at Spur, Dickens County, Texas. Their children are:

Michale Holloway, born August 30, 1947;
William Cecil Holloway, born February 15, 1950;

3-j-Charlie Roller Fox, born September 28, 1904, near Prairie Hill, Limestone County, Texas. He married Mrs. Nell Sparks, September, 1930. He died August 8, 1945. They adopted one child:

j-1-Jimmie Don Fox, born December 6, 1939, at Pilot Point, Texas

3-k-Pearl Fox, born October 23, 1905, in Limestone County, Texas. Died August 10, 1928.

3-l-Raymond Fox, born June 25, 1908, near Prairie Hill, Limestone County, Texas

3-m-Myrtis Mary Elva Fox, born August 29, 1910, near Prairie Hill, Limestone County, Texas. She married Paul A. Reed, October 18, 1930. He was born March 14, 1906, at Joplin, Missouri. He died February 25, 1944. Their children are:

m-1-Paula Jeane Reed, born April 13, 1932, at Lubbock, Texas. She married Loye E. Curry, June 4, 1950. He

was born December 23, 1927, at Lubbock, Texas.
Their children are:
Vickey Jeane Curry, born August 24, 1951;
Pamela Jeane Curry, born September 9, 1952;
m-2-Donovan Powell Reed, born March 9, 1933, at Lubbock, Texas
Myrtis Fox Reed married Henry H. Fisher, November 4, 1944. He was born July 18, 1899, in Smith County, Texas.

6. JAMES WESLEY FOX married Myrtle Martin, January 15, 1902, at the Baptist Parsonage in Thornton, Texas, by Rev. E.A. Puthuff, a Baptist Minister.(7) She was born August 19, 1878, in Limestone County, Alabama, and was the daughter of William Looney Martin, who was born May 12, 1847, near Athens, Limestone County, Alabama, and Alice Elouise Henderson, who was born August 27, 1849, in Limestone County, Alabama. They were married March 25, 1871. The children of James Wesley and Myrtle Fox, are:

6-a-Ezelle Fox, born November 7, 1903, near Purlsey, Navarro County, Texas. He married Fannie Ruth McFarlin, June 15, 1925, at the Methodist Parsonage in Dalhart, Texas. She was born May 15, 1908, in Parker County, Texas and was the daughter of Lawrence Claude McFarlin, who was born May 21, 1882, Near Ovilla, Ellis County, Texas, and Annie Lella Wolfenberger, who was born February 4, 1882, in Parker County, Texas. Fannie Ruth McFarlin Fox died May 21, 1929. Their children are:

a-1-Bettie Elouise Fox, born May 30, 1926, at Lockney, Floyd County, Texas. She married Jack Newton Blair, October 12, 1946. He was born October 20, 1925, in Wichita County, Texas. Their children are:
Regina Lynn Blair, born December 15, 1947, at Amarillo, Potter County, Texas
Kerry Ezelle Blair, born September 12, 1949, at Odessa, Ector County, Texas
Jackie Elouise Blair, born December 4, 1951, at Amarillo, Potter County, Texas

a-2-Anna Dean Fox, born November 13, 1928, at Dalhart, Dallam County, Texas. She married John Douglas Stinson, October 20, 1949, at Tucumcari, New Mexico. He was born February 19, 1914, in Greer County, Oklahoma. Their children are:
Delsie Oleta Stinson, born February 15, 1951, at Snyder, Scurry County, Texas
Wesley Duane Stinson, born July 9, 1952, at Odessa, Ector County, Texas

Ezelle Fox married Delsie Hartman Boney, December 23, 1934, at Plainview, Texas. She was born June 20, 1903, in Collin County, Texas, to Eli Virgil Hartman, who was born August 12, 1852, near Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and Louisa Josephine Willis Hartman, who was born February 16, 1873, near Tuscumbia, Colbert County, Alabama. Delsie Hartman Boney had two children by former marriage:
Julian Boney
Opal Elizabeth Boney, born June 5, 1923, near Kress,

Swisher County, Texas. She married Sidney W. Lane, July, 1940. Their child:
S.W. Lane, II, born November 11, 1942, at Amarillo, Potter County, Texas. He died August 2, 1948, in Wichita Falls, Texas, of poliomyelitis and is buried in Llano cemetery at Amarillo, Texas.
Sid and Opal Lane were divorced and she married Leroy G. Williams, February 8, 1946, at Amarillo, Texas. He was born April 13, 1916. Their child is:
Jim Don Williams, born May 1, 1950, at Amarillo, Potter County, Texas

6-b-Iris Mae Fox, born September 16, 1905, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married Roy Lewis Peters, June 15, 1929. They divorced and she married Lattrell Graham and they were divorced. No children born of either marriage.

6-c-Winston Ansley Fox, born April 20, 1908, near Dumas, Moore County, Texas. He married Thelma Lee Ray, March 14, 1936. She was born December 29, 1912, at Sadler, Grayson County, Texas.

6-d-H.C. Fox, born June 2, 1910, in Moore County, Texas. Died June 10, 1910, and is buried in Dumas cemetery.

6-e-Wesley Martin Fox, born July 21, 1911, in Dumas, Moore County, Texas. He married Mildred Whitman, January 25, 1941. She was born July 27, 1919, in Montana. Their child is:
e-1-Mary Margaret Fox, born March 15, 1948, in Amarillo, Potter County, Texas

7. WILEY FOX married Annie Marlar, March 27, 1907. She was born April 21, 1878, at Burnsville, Mississippi. She died August 5, 1927, and is buried in Llano cemetery, Amarillo, Texas. One child was born of this marriage:
7-a-Eva Pauline Fox, born October 21, 1908, at Amarillo, Potter County, Texas. She married Audry Franklin Harvey, December 22, 1928. He was born November 22, 1902, at Pollock, Louisiana. Their children are:
a-1-Audry Franklin Harvey, Jr., born August 3, 1930, at Amarillo, Potter County, Texas. He married Patsy Pearl Erwin, March 14, 1953, at Southside Church of Christ, Mineral Wells, Texas, with S.L. Williams, Minister of the Church of Christ, Sweetwater, Texas, and Grandfather of the bride, officiating. She was born August 20, 1932, at Graford, Palo Pinto County, Texas.
a-2-Elinor Pauline Harvey, born August 28, 1931, in Amarillo, Potter County, Texas.

8. CALVIN HERBERT FOX, married Ollie Howell, May 29, 1902. She was born April 24, 1884, in Hood County, Texas. Their children are:
8-a-Lyman Warner Fox, born July 12, 1904, in Johnson County, Texas. Died January 12, 1905.
8-b-Barbary Ivy Fox, born October 10, 1905, in Johnson County, Texas. She married Robert J. Doughtie, July

4, 1924. He was born November 9, 1904, in Beaumont, Texas. Their children are:

b-1-Ivy Madelle Doughtie, born November 21, 1925, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Paul David Bohannon, September 5, 1942. He was born August 11, 1923, in Washington County, Arkansas. Their children are:

Paulett Bohannon, born June 8, 1943, in Brownwood, Texas

Calvin David Bohannon, born June 12, 1946, in Prairie Grove, Arkansas

Barbara Lillian Bohannon, born October 14, 1947, in Fayetteville, Arkansas

b-2-Eva Marie Doughtie, born December 10, 1926, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Joseph L. Jody, Jr., October 30, 1945. He was born March 27, 1928, in Hamilton, Ohio. Their children are:

Joseph L. Jody, III, born February 3, 1948, in Houston, Texas

Stephen Jody, born January 31, 1951, in Denver, Colorado

Richard Bruner Jody, born November 29, 1953, in Pasadena, Harris County, Texas

b-3-Bobbie Ellen Doughtie, born June 1, 1929, in Limestone County, Texas.

b-4-Calvin Howell Fox Doughtie, born May 20, 1933, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Bettie Jo Hudson. She was born December 2, 1933, in Limestone County, Texas. Their child is:

Michael Delaney Doughtie, born July 5, 1951, in Limestone County, Texas

8-c-Wreathy Herberta Fox, born February 7, 1907, in Johnson County, Texas. Died June 21, 1928.

8-d-Esther Ellen Fox, born October 17, 1909, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married William Taft Taylor, May 21, 1927. He was born November 9, 1909, at Kosse, Limestone County, Texas. Their children are:

d-1-Marjorie Yvonne Taylor, born July 30, 1929, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Billy Wayne Haynie, August 2, 1946. He was born August 13, 1916. Their child is:

Rocky Wayne Haynie, born May 19, 1951, in Wichita County, Texas

d-2-Herberta Louise Taylor, born February 6, 1931, in Limestone County, Texas.

d-3-Frankie Elane Taylor, born March 4, 1933, in Limestone County, Texas.

d-4-Peggie Jo Taylor, born July 12, 1935, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Weldon Lester Williams, January 21, 1952. He was born September 2, 1932. Their child is:

Karen Ann Williams, born February 19, 1953, at Marlin, Falls County, Texas

d-5-Billie Faye Taylor, born May 23, 1938, in Limestone County, Texas.

8-e-James Calvin Fox, born June 9, 1912, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Eunice Loraine Pollard, April 6, 1940. She was born March 3, 1917, in Coryell County, Texas. Their children are:
e-1-James David Fox, born May 11, 1943, at Oglesby, Coryell County, Texas
e-2-John Edward Fox, born July 30, 1946, at Moody, McLennan County, Texas

8-f-Henry Howell Fox, born September 18, 1914, in Limestone County, Texas. Died June 25, 1916.

8-g-Rosie Mae Fox, born January 31, 1917, in Limestone County, Texas. Her first marriage was to a man by name of Oakes, and one child was born to this marriage:
g-1-James Ronald Oakes, born March 5, 1940, at Bangs, Brown County, Texas
She married Albert Melvin Henderson, May 24, 1946. He was born May 19, 1913, at Kustin, Brazos County, Texas. Their children are:
g-2-Albert Ray Henderson, born January 4, 1948, at Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas
g-3-Judy Ann Henderson, born January 30, 1950, at Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas

8-h-Laehler Fay Fox, born August 28, 1918, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Clarence Henry George, October 25, 1940. He was born September 22, 1919, in Brown County, Texas. Their children are:
h-1-Joyce Lavern George, born September 21, 1944, in Erath County, Texas
h-2-Clarence Henry George, Jr., born September 23, 1946, in Brown County, Texas
h-3-Henry Nolan George, born September 11, 1948, in Brown County, Texas

8-i-Infant son, born and died April 25, 1921.

8-j-Don Levoy Fox, born July 7, 1923, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Mrs. Mary Lou McCaleb Parr, June 23, 1949. She was born October 29, 1923, in Falls County, Texas. Their children are:
j-1-Barbara Faye (Parr) Fox, born July 9, 1944, in Limestone County, Texas
j-2-Jerry Don (Parr) Fox, born April 29, 1948, in Falls County, Texas
j-3-George Lyndon Fox, born May 25, 1950, in Burnet County, Texas
j-4-Mary Lou Fox, born July 22, 1952, in Falls County, Texas

8-k-Forrest Leonard (Lynn) Fox, born May 24, 1925, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Julia Eva Ellis, January 22, 1947. She was born December 19, 1927, in Scurry County, Texas.

8-L-Elma Dale Fox, born December 29, 1927, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Otis B. Luetge, April 14, 1951. He was born December 23, 1928, at Shelby, Austin County, Texas.

9. VESTA VIRGIN FOX married Walter Franklin Nance, January 14, 1909. He was born March 31, 1876, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She died November 21, 1953, and is buried in Thornton cemetery. Their children are:

9-a-Eidelle Monette Nance, born August 18, 1911, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married Raymond Volney Reynolds, November 3, 1930. He was born September 25, 1909, at Turkey, Hall County, Texas. Their children are:

a-1-Mineta Rae Reynolds, born September 23, 1932, at Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married George D. Daly, August 31, 1952. He was born June 17, 1928, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

a-2-Joe Nance Reynolds, born January 28, 1940, at Grosbeck, Limestone County, Texas

9-b-Wilma Ruth Nance, born March 18, 1913, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married James Lois Campbell, January 12, 1934. He was born August 15, 1913, at Oletha, Limestone County, Texas. Their children are:

b-1-Nancy Fathine Campbell, born May 5, 1936, at Thornton, Limestone County, Texas

b-2-Howard Dwain Campbell, born September 25, 1941, at Houston, Harris County, Texas

b-3-Bobby Wayne Campbell, born April 18, 1943, at Houston, Harris County, Texas

10. LESLIE GREEN FOX married Cora Lee Nickelson, July 24, 1904. She was born September 14, 1881, at Batesville, Arkansas. Their children are:

10-a-Minta Morene Fox, born July 10, 1905, in Limestone County, Texas. Died July 17, 1905.

10-b-Mervin Henry Fox, born September 30, 1906, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Dorothy Rose Battaglia, June 2, 1935. She was born February 3, 1913, at Corpus Christi, Texas. He died October 7, 1948. No children.

10-c-Mabel Lois Fox, born September 22, 1908, in Limestone County, Texas. She married George W. Hudson, April 19, 1924. He was born in 1902, in Shelby County, Texas. He died November 28, 1929. Their children are:

c-1-Joyce Alien Hudson, born December 13, 1926, at Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married Clarence Delbert Ford, April 30, 1946, at Independence, Kansas. He was born March 10, 1925, at Iola, Neosha County, Kansas. Their children are:

Gary Wayne Ford, born October 17, 1947, at Thornton, Limestone County, Texas

Terry Lea Ford, born July 31, 1949, at Mountain Home, Baxter County, Arkansas
Debra Ann Ford, born February 2, 1953, at Pasedena, Texas

c-2-George Raymond Hudson, born May 30, 1930, in Limestone County, Texas.
Mabel Lois Fox Hudson married Arnold Jackson, August 9, 1932. He was born May 1, 1892, at Paducah, Kentucky. Their children are:

c-3-Arnold Boyd Jackson, born October 2, 1934, in Limestone County, Texas

c-4-Lesley Paul Jackson, born November 9, 1937, in Limestone County, Texas

10-d-Gracie Virene Fox, born October 23, 1911, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married Bert Hollis Winn, September 10, 1938. He was born December 4, 1904, in Leon County, Texas. Their children are:

d-1-Cecil Ray Winn, born July 1, 1939, in Limestone County, Texas

d-2-David Glynn Winn, born May 25, 1941, in Limestone County, Texas

d-3-Curtis Jean Winn, born March 3, 1946, in Limestone County, Texas

10-e-Grady Leroy Fox, born October 12, 1913, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. He married Ruby Joy Trull, February 27, 1941. She was born December 27, 1922, in Van Zandt County, Texas.

10-f-Virginia Macelle Fox, born April 18, 1916, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. She married Lester I. Tilley, January 27, 1934. Their children are:

f-1-David Romain Tilley, born February 2, 1935, in Limestone County, Texas

f-2-Neva Kay Tilley, born March 21, 1937, in Limestone County, Texas

f-3-Jerry Tilley, born January 2, 1940, in Limestone County, Texas

f-4-Barbara Ann Tilley, born November 26, 1946, in Limestone County, Texas

11. MINNIE RUTH FOX married Robert W. Vincent, May 7, 1905. He was born circa February 22, 1874, in Meigs County, Tennessee. She died November 3, 1941 and he died September 8, 1951. Both are buried in Dumas cemetery. Their children are:

11-a-Ruby Vesta Vincent, born September 4, 1908, in Payne County, Oklahoma. She married Hubert Jameson, May 8, 1926. He was born May 5, 1908, in Dumas, Moore County, Texas. Their children are:

a-1-Bessie Ruth Jameson, born March 25, 1927, in Moore County, Texas. She married Paul Burger, October 12, 1942. He was born May 18, 1923, at Murphy, North Carolina. Their child is:
Jo Ann Burger, born January 25, 1945, at San Francisco, California.

a-2-Bettie Faye Jameson, born January 2, 1933, in Dumas, Moore County, Texas. She married C.W. McMillion, July 1, 1950, in Dumas, Texas, with Ezelle Fox, County Judge, officiating. C.W. McMillion was born February 14, 1932, in Bryan County, Oklahoma. Their children are:
Gary Lee McMillion, born March 30, 1952, in Dumas, Moore County, Texas
Cerita Kay McMillion, born March 5, 1953, in Dumas, Moore County, Texas
a-3-Wanda Lee Jameson, born August 21, 1935, in Dumas, Moore County, Texas. She married Leonard Loveland, December 21, 1949. He was born March 7, 1930, at Hanford, California.
a-4-Charles Ray Jameson, born February 11, 1938, in Dumas, Moore County, Texas

11-b-Roy Franklin Vincent, born April 17, 1910, in Payne County, Oklahoma. He married Bessie Lamkin, September 21, 1931. She was born November 21, 1912, at Hardesty, Oklahoma. Their children are:
b-1-Donald Franklin Vincent, born April 19, 1933, in Hartley County, Texas
b-2-Robert Lee Vincent, born November 24, 1935, in Hartley County, Texas
b-3-Calvin Ray Vincent, born September 14, 1937 in Hartley County, Texas
b-4-David Ross Vincent, born May 10, 1939, in Hartley County, Texas

11-c-Letha Roberta Vincent, born May 29, 1913, in Ochiltree County, Texas. She married Charles Lamkin May 18, 1933. He was born February 4, 1907, at Hardesty, Oklahoma. He died April 30, 1949. Their Children are:
c-1-Bobby Joe Lamkin, born February 18, 1934, in Hartley County, Texas
c-2-Charles Eugene Lamkin, born May 23, 1936, in Dumas, Moore County, Texas
c-3-Barbara Ann Lamkin, born September 25, 1938, in Hartley County, Texas

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References: 1) Taken from family Bible of Henry G. and Barbara Ellen Vinson Fox;
2) Letter from John Henry Fox to Wiley Fox,
4) Letter from Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D.C.;
3) Told to writer by John Henry Fox;
5) Told to writer by Calvin H. Fox;
6) Vol. C, page 391, Marriage records, Limestone County, Texas. Thos. Vinson, an Ordained Minister performed the ceremony;
7) Vol. I, Page 297, Marriage Records, Limestone County, Texas;

THE BROTHERS FAMILY

By: Ezelle Fox

In my attempt to determine when my Grandfather Henry Green Fox went to Falls or Limestone County, Texas, I remembered that Uncle Johnnie, Uncle Wiley and my father, James Wesley Fox had said that he came to that part of the country with a family by the name of Brothers and that he worked for him as overseer of his slaves. I quote in part an article taken from the September 9, 1939 issue of The Marlin Democrat, which I believe substantiates to a certain degree the story we have been told.

"Jesse Brothers, wife and family came from Tennessee in the late fifties (probably 1859)*, bringing about 60 slaves with them. Like others, they apparently sought fortune in the land their former friend and fellow Tennessean, Sam Houston, had carved Texas from Mexico. Perhaps also, they sought relief from troubled waters of slavery agitation preceding the Civil War.

The Brothers and their slaves camped under the big oak tree that stands today in the middle of the road as you near Stranger's former store building. The Barclay's (living nearby) were, indeed kind to them, furnishing food since it took almost a cow to feed the family and slaves each day. After some delay, Brothers decided to move westward and went as far as the Leon river, but impressed by the sandy and sandy loam on the prairies at Blue Ridge (easier to work with the crude farm implements of that time) and also the kindness of the Barclay's, he turned back, camped again under the oak tree and ultimately bought a farm on the high hill overlooking Big creek and the vast stretches between the hill and Marlin. The family built a home and began a new career in the new community."

(*) The date "1859(given in the above article as to their arrival in Falls County, Texas must be in error, for the records of Falls County reveal that Jesse Brothers bought land there in 1853.

I am of the opinion that the employment of Henry Green Fox by Jesse Brothers began either in Arkansas or in east Texas, from where they moved to Falls County, Texas.

It is apparent to the writer, that the Brothers, Fox and Darden families became acquainted in either Carroll or Robertson County, Tennessee, for when Richard W. Darden and family moved from Harrison County, Texas, he settled in the same community in Falls County where the Brothers family lived.

I have often heard my father and his brothers tell of the times the Brothers family would visit their parents at their home south of Thornton, and each fall some of the negroes who worked for Mr. Brothers would come over and assist in the hog killing. When meal time came and the negroes were served, they would brag about the food and say to my Grandmother, "Miss Ellen, this is sho good food."

(The following is a letter from John Henry Fox, to his brother, Wiley Fox, which was in reply to one stating that Judge Norton Fox, then Worshipful Master of Grosbeck Lodge, had informed us that Henry Green Fox had been a member of the Eutaw Lodge. He also refers to the 1880 census of the Fox family that had been found.)

Channing, Texas 7-13-41

Dear Bro: Your letter of 6/30 came duly to hand. I am greatly surprised to read the contents, and learn the contents therein contained. I have delayed answering because I wanted to try to remember back in those days but I cannot remember that father ever mentioned anything about Masonery, except one time. I had been a Mason some 2 years and some member of our lodge died, and the masons buried him at Thornton. T'was on Sunday and a good many there, and among them was Pa & Ma & the balance of you all I guess. So after that Pa was up town & we got to talking & he wanted to know how long I had been a Mason and I told him that I took my first degree in 1879. Wanted to know how I liked it, and who all were members, how much it cost and so on. I told him & then added that lots of it was secret & that I had not yet learned it all. He never even mentioned it again nor did he say that he had ever taken any of the degree. Uncle Jimmy, Uncle Tommy & Uncle Robert were all Masons. I do not think Uncle Wiley was a Mason. Uncle Tom taken his degrees at Grosbeck and came to our lodge as a charter member & was our first J.W. I guess Uncle Jim taken his degrees at Grosbeck. Uncle Robert taken his degrees at Eutaw & when he died Eutaw Lodge came to Copeland Prairie & buried him in the Vinson cemetery. The family records says that I was borned on Oct. 20, 1857. Willie in June 1859. Now I do not know what year Pa & Ma moved to the place where we used to live south of Grandpa Vinson old place. Uncle Tom in talking about those times and when I was borned said that I was borned just inside Limestone County, at a place where a man by the name of Heart used to live & also that an old negro woman waited on Mother at the time. He also said that they used to work some land on Steele Creek belonging to some of the Eaton & that they worked oxen and of course like all boys they had dogs & that they would turn their oxen loose at night & that they would come out on that little Prairie. So one morning they come out to get them & their dogs treed a big coon & they killed it. So he said that little Prairie was called Coon Prairie after that. That was where Richard Cox used to live.

I was with Judge Ellis, John Walling a good many times & neither of them as I remember said anything about Pa having taken any degree in Eutaw L., both of them came to Thornton from Eutaw. A large number of the Patterville L. on Ferguson Prairie taken their degrees at Eutaw. J.L. White & Others but none of them ever did mention Pa's name. I do not remember to have heard Pa & old man Worley say anything about masonery, nor Dick Barden. I do not remember of Pa ever going off at night to any meeting. Now about the census. I would have been 22 or 23 yrs old & Willie would have been

only 19 or 20 yrs, it would have been right for me to have given my own age etc. Vesta and Minnie's names does not appear on the list with the other children. My recollection is that Uncle John and Grandpa Fox moved out before 1880. I have tried to remember back in those long ago days but I cannot remember any Albert Fox living. Now do you suppose that it could have been the little fellow that fell in the well, and afterward died of a sore mouth. We called him Bobby. Pa & Ma carried him to old Dr. Watz who lived then near Beargrass & He was buried there.* Our oldest sister was named Mary Ellar, she died on Copeland Prairie at the place now owned by Mrs. Polk. It is possible that in copying they made a mistake & did not say the following was dead. Now I do not remember of ever hearing Bobby called Albert. He died when he was some 2 or 3 years old. Ella as we called her died when she was about six years old. I can remember when Pa & Uncle Robert went to the war & also Uncle Wiley & Uncle Tom & after the war closed & when we moved to Blue Ridge & then back to Copeland Prairie. In thinking over those times, several things have come back to me that I had forgot. The records as I remember now. Pa was borned in 1832, & Mother in 1839, this as you see will make a discrepancy in the ages given for Pa & Ma, but this could have been. But James Fox 11 would just about fit Wes. You will notice that the first name always appears first. So I am thinking that Albert Fox & Mary Fox aged 6 should be listed as dead-- my hands are well but when I write any time it kinder cramp-- so that I cannot use it very well. Hence such poor writing. Have been wanting to come over but cannot just get off.

Your Bro.

John"

*-The story is told that my Grandfather and Grandmother Fox went on horseback to take Robert to the Doctor. The Beargrass cemetery is is Leon County.

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I am including some items concerning different ones of the families that have been told to me, which may be of interest to you. (Ezelle Fox)

My Grandfather Henry Green Fox was a member of Masonic Lodge #233, at Eutaw, Limestone County, Texas. He was initiated May 1859 and was Senior Warden 1862-1863. He took a demit from the Lodge July 20, 1867.

The first gin that was built near where my Grandfather Henry G Fox lived,(on the B. Gillespie Survey) was built and operated by Lige and Quitman Pringle. At first oxen were used for power to operate the gin, later horses and mules were used. Mr. John Smith who farmed cotton quiet extensively bought out the Pringle Brothers and operated the gin. He employed Jack Cook to run the gin and sent him to Hughes Springs, Texas, where he purchased a boiler and installed it at the gin for power. They built a dam across the branch which furnished water for the boiler. Will and Tom Jarrard worked at the gin and fired the boiler. Will Harper had the misfortune of getting his right hand caught in the gin saws. He did not lose his hand, but the injury impaired the use of it. My Father James Wesley Fox was working there at the time. Uncle Wiley Fox also worked at the gin. George and Terry Baker run this gin for one or two seasons.

Jack Cook's second wife was a Turner. He and his father-in-law, Mr. Turner, and their families came to Limestone County from Titus County, Texas. Mr. Turner had the finest pair of mules that had ever been in the Thornton area.

John Henry Fox was a merchant and Postmaster at Thornton in the 1890's. He was an active member of the Methodist Church and Masonic Lodge. He lived at Thornton until about 1932 when he moved to Channing, Hartley County, Texas, where he lived until his death.

William Henderson Fox and Terry Baker went to San Saba County, to visit Aunt Mary Vinson Black and her husband, Charley Black. Aunt Mary Vinson was the widow of Wiley Vinson, Jr.

George Madison Fox' first job away from home was for his Uncle Robert Vinson and he was to receive a saddle in return for his labors. I can well imagine Uncle George's feeling of being the owner of saddle at his age.

George M. Fox and Elbert Franklin (Eb) Baker worked on the construction of the Texas and Pacific Railroad until it reached the Pecos river, then came back and worked for a time on a ranch in Baylor County, Texas.

In 1886, My Grandfather Henry G. Fox, and his sons, George and Wesley went to look at a ranch at Fort McKavett and went by and visited with Aunt Mary Vinson Black and Uncle Charley Black. They lived near the river in San Saba County.

My father Wesley Fox, worked for Uncle Thomas Vinson and Cousin Meck Johnson during the winter of 1891..Uncle Tom was to officiate at a wedding on the east side of Davis Creek and asked my father to accompany him. The young lady was one of the Masters girls and he does not remember the name of the young man. The family had prepared a sumptuous wedding supper and had planned for the wedding to be in the house, but so many guests gathered they decided to perform the ceremony in the yard. They secured a candle to provide light for Uncle Tom to read the ceremony by and before it was completed the wind began to blow, so Bill Jarrard stepped up and tried to keep the candle burning by placing his hat so the wind would not hit the candle. It finally blew out and when the candle was again lighted, Uncle Tom had forfotten where he stopped in the ceremony and had to begin over again. Will Jarrard's wife was a Masters.

I imagine that at one time or another in the life of most every boy, he develops a desire to roam or see new country and at the time my father took such a notion he decided to go to an undeveloped area of Texas which was referred to as "West Texas". In May, 1891 he began the journey on horseback, with his clothing in a suitcase which he carried. He spent one night with Uncle Jim Vinson and his family, who were living near the Brazos river in Hill County, Texas. The next day he crossed the river near Uncle Jim's home and proceeded westward. He did not anticipate the rough rocky country over which he would have to travel and did not shoe his horse, and it became too lame to travel. He finally arrived at Meridian, Texas, where he loaded his lame horse in an immigrant car and proceeded by rail to Albany, Shackelford County, Texas. After unloading his horse, he got something to eat and continued his westward journey, stopping in Fisher County to visit with Mr. J.B. Hamilton and his family. They were former Limestone County residents. By this time the suitcase became too great a burden to carry on horse, so he left it with Mr. Hamilton. He then went over in Scurry County to visit with Mr. Collis Cleveland and his family. He was a brother of Frank E. Cleveland. While visiting with Mr. Cleveland he met two young men who were going to work on a ranch on the Palo Duro canyon, so the three started north. After two days travel they stopped at the 2 buckle ranch where they stayed for two days as it was raining. The rain having subsided, they continued their northward journey and went by the Hank Smith place on Blanco canyon. About one mile up the river from the Hank Smith place they came upon a dugout where a man and his wife lived. It had commenced raining again so they remained there for two days, after which they continued their northward journey and stopped in Floydada. My father happened to see Mr. Phil Reeves, a former resident of the Thornton area, and he persuaded my father to locate in Floyd County. He lived with the Reeves family for a month or two, then bought out a claim on a section of land that cornered with the Reeves section.

In August, 1891, my Grandfather Fox and Uncle Wiley went out to Floyd County to take a team of horses and a hack.

My Grandfather had made the hack, except the spokes of the wheels which he bought. When the time came for him to return home my father took him to Childress to take the train. Uncle Wiley remained in Floyd County, and their brother William Henderson Fox came out later in the year and bought a claim on a section of land about one mile east of where my father had settled and Uncle Wiley lived on Uncle Willie's land. Their abode was a half dugout and they had to haul their supply of water for several miles. The team and hack came in handy for that job, as well as hauling firewood and posts from the canyon. The popular fuel for stoves in those days was the "cowchip".

They worked at any job that was available, and in 1892 they hauled several loads of lumber from Childress for the Floyd County Courthouse.

The year of 1893 had been very dry, so my father decided to go back to Limestone County, so in December, 1893 he left the wide open spaces of West Texas. Uncle Wiley finished living out the claim and then in the fall of 1894 he returned to Limestone County.

Sometime after my father's return to Limestone County he secured a job as guard of prisoners for the Texas Prison System at the Burleson farm on the Brazos river. After Uncle Wiley's return he was similarly employed. They worked as guards while the prisoners were working on the H&TC Railroad near Thornton and Kosse. Uncle Wiley was later transferred to a job north of Dallas on the Rock Island Railroad. He worked on this job until they reached Mount Pleasant, Texas. He quit in the fall of 1897 and on his way home stopped in Hopkins County, Texas and visited with his cousins, James William and Henry Gordon Fox and their families. It was prior to this time that my father had visited his kinsmen in Hopkins County.

After spending the Christmas holidays at home, Uncle Wiley decided to go "out west" again. He happened to meet Mr. Bud Barnes who was loading an immigrant car at Grosbeck to go to Quanah, Texas, and wanted someone to go with it. So Uncle Wiley took advantage of the opportunity and rode the car to Quanah.

He stayed around Quanah for several days and had about decided to seek employment at a cement factory near there, when he happened to meet a fellow he had previously known in Floyd County who advised him not to go to work in the cement factory, and told him that Gus Gober was in need of someone to go with an immigrant car to Channing, Texas, so he contacted Mr. Gober and was immediately employed to go with the car. It developed that Mr. Gober had been to Moore County and filed on four sections of land to which he was moving. They arrived in Moore County in March, 1898. He worked for Mr. Gober for about a year, then worked for other ranches, one being the LX. He filed on four sections of land south of Dumas and lived on them the required time.

Uncle Wiley was elected Tax Assessor of Moore County, Texas, November 6, 1900 and served until December, 1904. He was Postmaster at Dumas from September 1, 1904 until September 1, 1908; From October 4, 1914 until January 14, 1918 and from 1921 to 1937.

My father remained in Limestone County where he married in 1902, then moved to Navarro County where I was born in November, 1903, then the latter part of December, 1903, we moved to Moore County and lived with Uncle Wiley. My father farmed until December 20, 1910, when he was appointed County Judge of Moore County, Texas. He served in that capacity until December 2, 1918.

I should like to include in these items something about the Rucker Schoolhouse, for many it will bring back pleasant memories and many of the younger generation will recall having heard it mentioned. It was built in the early seventies and took it's name from the owner of the land on which it was located. Among those who had a part in building it was, Mr. Rucker, Mr. Miles King and my Grandfather, Henry G. Fox.

My father, James Wesley Fox says the schoolhouse was of box type construction, and one morning after a storm the children went to school and found the building had blown down. The men of the neighborhood soon had it rebuilt and ready for school again.

The Prairie View schoolhouse was built later to serve the community.

The Flag lake will be remembered by some of you as a good fishing place.

THOSE OF THE HENRY G. FOX FAMILY WHO HAVE SERVED THEIR COUNTRY IN THE ARMED FORCES

HARRIS L. FOX, Serial No. 116183; Enlisted with US Marine Corps in Waco, Texas, on April 10, 1917; Sworn in at Paris Island, South Carolina April 19, 1917; Trained there about three months; Went to Quantico, Virginia and from there to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and boarded ship about August 1st, 1917 for France; Was in 17th Company 5th Regiment USMC; The 2nd Division of the US Army was organized in France in summer of 1917 and was composed of: 9th and 23rd Infantry Regiments, 5th and 6th Regiments of Marines, 12th, 13th and 17th Field Artillery Regiments, 6th Machine Gun Battalion; 2nd Engineers; 1st Field Signal Battalion and other auxiliary units; The 2nd Division was at the Marne when the big counter offensive of July 1918 was launched; Participated in practically all battles at Belleau Woods, Chateau-Thierry, St. Mihiel, the Argonne Wood and went into Germany with Army of Occupation; Commanded by Maj. Gen. John A. Lejeune. Rating Corporal. Left 2nd Division on November 7th, 1918 for Hospital; Left France April 21, 1919, and was discharged at Quantico, Virginia, May 21, 1919.

WILBURN WASHINGTON FOX, Serial No. 3068197; Inducted June 23, 1918 at Grosbeck, Texas. Rank - Private; Served with Veterinary Hospital No. 15; Service in France; Landed at Brest, France, November 7, 1918; Camp Vet. Hosp. Gievres, Saint Naizarree and Saugy; Sailed from Brest, France, July 9, 1919 to New York. Discharged July 26, 1919 at Camp Pike, Arkansas.

RAYMOND FOX, Serial No. 384 24 278, Rank: Private First Class. Inducted December 15, 1942. Served with 3885 Heavy Trucking Company attached to 3rd Army. Hauled tanks and other equipment for General Patton. Landed Wales, England. Then Scotland, France, Belgium, Germany, Holland, Luxemburg and Canada. Discharged November 21, 1945.

MAX CARPENTER, Serial No. 382 83 393. Private First Class. Inducted October 23, 1942. Took basic training in Hiwaii. Served with Co. B, 3rd Engineer Battalion, 24th Infantry Division. In 6th and 8th Army. Fought in New Guinea, Leyte, Mindoro, Luzon, Corrigidar and Mindanio Islands. Suffered back injury in Pacific. Sent to Hospital in States, August 1945. Discharged November 30, 1945.

CHARLES REX CARPENTER, Serial No. 180 83 342. Sergeant. Inducted June 12, 1942. Stationed at Geiger Field, Spokane, Washington. Served with 472nd Service Squadron for 466th Air Base Group, Attlebridge, England (near Norwich). Arrived Liverpool, England, December 21, 1943. Attended short course at Oxford University, England. Sailed from Glascow, Scotland July, 1945. Discharged November 17, 1945 at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

WESLEY MERLE ALEXANDER, Serial No. 939 28 69; Rate: AETM 2/c. Inducted July 12, 1944. U.S. Navy; Boot Camp, San Diego, California; Schools: Re-radio, Chicago, Illinois; General Radio, A&M College Station, Texas; Advanced Radio, and Radar, Ward Island, Corpus Christi, Texas; San Climente Island; North Island, San Diego; Terminal Ts. San Pedro, California. Discharged July 9, 1946.

WINSTON ANSLEY FOX, Serial No. 357 20 15. Enlisted December 2, 1942 at NRS, Dallas, Texas. Ratings: MM 3c (CB); Bkr 3c (CB); Bkr 2c (T)(CB). Served with 96th NCB, in Azores and Pacific Area. Discharged October 25, 1945, at USN Personnel Center, Camp Wallace, Texas.

WESLEY MARTIN FOX, Serial No. 181 84 202. Enlisted November 21, 1942. Rating Staff Sgt. Attended Air Force Technical School, Fort Logan, Colorado. Served with Air Force Technical Training Command and with Air Transport Command. Discharged February 13, 1946.

DON L. FOX, Serial No. 383 72 654. Rate: Corporal. Inducted March 5, 1943. Served with 2nd Air Force, 72nd Liaison Squadron, Airplane Mechanic. Discharged February 19, 1946.

FORREST L. FOX, Serial No. 385 15 741. Rate: Corporal. Inducted July 27, 1943. Served with 8th Air Force, 398th Bomber Division, 2nd Squadron. Served 11 months in England. Airplane Armorer. Battles and Campaigns: Central Europe G048WD45; Ardennes G040WD45; Rhineland G040WD45. Discharged November 19, 1945.

CLARENCE HENRY GEORGE, Serial No. 382 32 495, Inducted November 30, 1942, at Camp Wolters. Rate: Pfc. Served with 84th Infantry Division, Co. A, 333rd Infantry. 14 months overseas service. In Battle of the Bulge. Discharged December 1, 1945, at Camp Fannin.

BILLY WAYNE HAYNIE, Serial No. 380 32 981. Inducted June 19, 1941. Rate: Pfc. Served with 504th Military Police Battalion in Tunisia, Sicily, Naples, Foggia, Rome,Arno, Southern France and Rhineland. Medals: American Defense; EAME Campaign; Seven Bronze Stars and Bronze Arrow Heads. Discharged October 5, 1945.

MERVIN HENRY FOX, Serial No. 625 25 02. Inducted October 5, 1942. Served with 36th Sea Bees, Hdg. Co. October 5, 1942 to October 1, 1945. Overseas January 20, 1943 to December 15, 1944. In Pacific Area-New Hebrides; Russell Island; Bouganvillia Island. One Battle Star. Shipped out again in same unit on April 18, 1945 to September 20, 1945. Okinawa, Pacific Area. One Battle Star. Discharged October 1, 1945.

GRADY L. FOX, Serial No. 625 25 04. Inducted October 1, 1942. Served with 33rd Sea Bees, Co. C. October 1942 to May 1,1945. Overseas December 18, 1942 to April 18, 1945- New Caledonia; Guadalcanal; Russell Islands; Green Island; Peleliu Island.

Three Battle Stars. Navy Unit Commendation Award for Service rendered on Peleliu Island from September 15 to 29, 1944. Attached to C.B.D. 1091 July 4, 1945. Overseas July 9 to November 1, 1945. Okinawa, in Pacific Area. Discharged November 9, 1945.

GEORGE RAYMOND HUDSON, Serial No. 366 94 29. Rate:Engine Man 2/c. Inducted August 31, 1948. Assigned to U.S.S. Abnaki (ATF-96) January, 1949 operated through South Pacific until April 1950; Then started operating out of Japan and Korean patrol for 9 months. Discharged August 6, 1952.

CLARENCE D. FORD, Serial No. 842 53 66. Rate: AOM 3/c. Inducted November 3, 1943. Service: NAS, Corpus Christi, Texas; C A S U 5; Fighting Squadron 12 aborad Aircraft Carrier Randolph; C A S U 12; U.S.N.A.S. Banana River, Florida. Overseas service: South Pacific, January, 1945 to March, 1946. Discharged April 28, 1946.

DONALD FRANKLIN VINCENT, Serial No. 541 04 474. Inducted May 6, 1953, at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Rate: Private. Serving with Co. B, 439th Engineers Construction Battalion. Received basic training at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. Sailed from Camp Stoneman November 7th, 1953 and arrived in Japan on the 24th. Arrived in Korea December 1, 1953 and is stationed at Chunchow.

BOBBY JOE LAMKIN, Serial No. 18 421 639. Enlisted July 14, 1952. Rate: A/2c. Stationed at Brookfield Air Base, Ohio, with 662nd A C&W Sqdn., since November 17, 1952. Is Radar Operator.

LEONARD LOVELAND, Serial No._____ ____ ____. Inducted March 20, 1952. Stationed in Virginia to August, 1952. Went overseas September 2, 1952. Is with Medic Company. Discharged _____ __, 1953.

PAUL DAVID BOHANNON, Serial No. 207 35 798. Rate: Sergeant. Enlisted January 6, 1941. Served with Battery "A" 142nd Field Artillery, Camp Bowie, Texas. Overseas - September 12, 1943 to December 15, 1944. Discharged 18 July, 1945 at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri.

MARY ELIZABETH FOX

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By: Ezelle Fox

The fourth child and first daughter born to William and Jane Darden Fox came into their home in Carroll County, Tennessee, on the first day of October, 1835.(1) They named her Mary Elizabeth and I can imagine that she was accorded a very hearty welcome in a family of three boys.

About the time she had reached her twelfth birthdate, her family had moved to Harrison County, Texas, and it was here among the tall pines and fertile valleys of east Texas she was reared, receiving whatever education that was available at the time.

Then on the 24th day of March, 1860, she was married to George H. Cabiness in Marshall, Harrison County, Texas.(2) Prior to their marriage he lived in the Scottsville community, about 8 miles northeast of Marshall, working for Col. Scott. He continued in this employment after their marriage, but they were not to enjoy their happiness for very long, for war clouds had begun to gather and it was not long before George enlisted and served with the Southern forces in the Civil War and from which he never returned. One child, a girl was born as a result of this marriage, but died before reaching maturity.

It is assumed that she lived with her father and mother in Harrison County, Texas from the time her husband enlisted in the service until she married William Frederick Cobb, on the 29th day of December, 1868, at Jefferson, Marion County, Texas, by W.W. Lee, Minister of the Gospel.(3) William Frederick Cobb, was born in Robertson County, Tennessee, on the 15th day of January, 1827.(4)

We are, and rightfully should be, deeply indebted to the late Mrs. James Knox Bivins, nee Viola (Bee) Cobb, a stepdaughter of Mary Elizabeth Fox Cobb, for the many kind references about Mary E. Fox in her book "Memoirs", which would not have been included in the history of the William Fox family otherwise. I qoute as follows:

"About two years after my mother's death (1867) my father remarried. His new wifewas Mary E. Fox Cabiness, of Harrison County, who was a native of Tennessee and distantly related to my mother, her mother's maiden name having been Darden. Cousin Mary, as we called her before she became "Ma" was a widow whose husband, George Cabiness, had given his life in the service of the South. She never heard how, when, or where he met his death, but there is still in existence a folded letter addressed without an envelope which was written by him to his wife and little girl telling them that he was tired of the cruel war and longed to be reunited with his loved ones.

Mary E. Fox, my new mother, was an exemplary helpmeet for father. Seven motherless children greeted her as "Ma" when she rode home with father on her gray mare to take up her arduous duties--surely she shall receive the reward of the faithful. The children had everything in readiness to receive the bride and groom and had drilled the younger ones carefully about calling her "Ma". Brother Will, a boy in his early teens, teased the older girls pitilessly by saying. "I'm not going to say Ma; my mother is dead". When he asked father what to do with the horse, father asked. "What horse?" and in a stage whisper brother said "Ma's horse" so that the girls could not hear, as he thought. We enjoyed the joke on brother, for he had no notion of calling her anything else, and she never had a disrespectful word from either Will or Jim whose ages were fourteen and ten years respectively. The writer was five when our new mother came and stood very much in need of love and care such as she gave, and the bond between us was always of sincerest affection, devotion, and loyalty. Our new mother, in her first marriage, lived at Scottsville in Harrison County where her husband had been manager or overseer for Colonel Scott until the War between the States swept him into the service from which he never returned."(5)

"Thus the family got along somehow, 'till about two years father went to Harrison County and married Cousin Mary Fox, who was a Godsend indeed."(6)

"On December 3, 1907, "Ma's earthly pilgrimage ended. She was called to come up higher and rest from her labors." (7)

I have heard my father and some of his brothers tell of Aunt Mary visiting the families in Limestone County, Texas, on several occasions and my father vaguely remembers Cousin Viola visiting them, but it seems that after the death of Aunt Mary they lost contact with the family. In 1949 it was again our privilege to receive many interesting letters from her and also her book "Memoirs", in which she inscribed therein "To my newly recovered or found cousins, the Foxes with love and felicitations. Cousin Viola. Oct 7, 1949". The writer would have considered it a distinct privilege to have had the pleasure of meeting and talking with her.

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MARTHA JANE FOX

By: Ezelle Fox

Martha Jane Fox was born June 10, 1839, in Robertson County, Tennessee. She came to Texas in 1847 with her parents, William and Jane Darden Fox. She married William T. Hogue, on September 15, 1861, at Jefferson, Marion County, Texas. He was born June 23, 1828, in Draketown, Georgia, which is near Atlanta. Their children are:

1. Louie D. Hogue, born November 28, 1863, in Harrison County, Texas;

2. Willie Rush Hogue, born June 10, 1866, in Marion County, Texas; (died young)

3. Blanche Lizzie Hogue, born October 11, 1868, in Lafayette County, Arkansas;

4. Alice Jane Hogue, born April 19, 1871, in Harrison County, Texas;

5. Sarah Kate Hogue, born May 23, 1873, in Harrison County, Texas;

6. Dock Hogue, born May 26, 1876, in Limestone County, Texas; (died young)

7. Mollie Octavia Hogue) Twins, born October 29, 1878,
8. Mattie Victoria Hogue) in Limestone County, Texas.

William T. Hogue was one of eight children, but the name of his parents cannot be remembered. He had five sisters; Ellen, Kate, Liza, Manda and Sallie. Two brothers-Johnnie and Bailey. The family or part of it left Georgia and settled in Arkansas, then some came on to Texas and other places later, and he was one of the ones to come to Texas.

He was thirty-three years old when he married Martha Jane Fox in 1861 and many in the family says he saw service in the Navy and went from Georgia, and it is assumed he was in there before marriage. Many remember hearing him tell of his boat being shipwrecked upon an island where several of his comrades died of thirst before being rescued. He served from Texas in the Confederate forces during the latter part of the Civil War as a tailor and shoemaker, and he drew a small pension for this service in his old age. The birth of his first two children will verify this, since he married after the war started, and history states the Confederate forces were nearly exhausted in 1863, (the year his first child was born), his second child was born a year after the war ended.

He was a man of many trades, and as a young man, he followed that of a cabinet maker more than any other, but he farmed also. The birth of his children in different counties

in Texas and one in Arkansas shows he followed where work was. After the family moved to Limestone County where they lived the longest during their married life and where the last three of their children were born, farming was his main occupation, but he still did carpentry too. He built the cupola on the old Methodist Church in Thornton and built many mantle pieces for people, decorating them with cut out moon, stars and flowers. He finished building their new home in Limestone County in February 1879, and the mantle piece he built for it is still in fair condition and owned by his grandson, Chester Hogue Nance.

He was a charter member of the Masonic Lodge of Marshall, Texas and helped organize the lodge in Thornton, Texas. He was a writing teacher and could also play the flute. His Masonic tie pin and a letter written by him in 1904 is in possession of his grand-daughter, Pearl Nance Loughlin. A pearl top flute key with the initials WTH carved in it, is in possession of his grand-daughter, Mary Jane Jones Freeman.

In the early part of 1876, Martha Jane Hogue and her family moved to a place south of Thornton, Limestone County, Texas where they resided until her death on February 12, 1903. From the ones who knew her and were associated with her during her lifetime in Limestone County, say she was one of the most even-tempered, courageous women they ever knew. As long as her health permitted, she was a friend indeed, in sickness and trouble, and was always there to lend a helping hand and give words of encouragement. She is buried in the Vinson cemetery in Limestone County, beside the graves of her father and mother. William T. Hogue lived with his children until his death, which occurred on January 20, 1909. He is buried near Altus, Oklahoma.

Their descendants are:

Louie D. Hogue married Ora Icie Sherrod, December 6, 1883. She was born February 13, 1870, near Thornton, Limestone County, Texas. Louie D. Hogue died March 5, 1945, and Ora Icie Sherrod Hogue died March 19, 1947. Their children are:

1. William Randall Hogue, born September 23, 1884, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Carrie Bratcher, December 20, 1909. She was born August 30, 1891, at Bono, Texas. She died December 26, 1939. Their children are:

1-a-Bertie Ora Hogue, born July 3, 1912, in Johnson County, Texas. She married Woodford Epperson, May 19, 1951.

1-b-John D. Hogue, born July 31, 1914, in Johnson County, Texas. Died April 28, 1946.

1-c-Mary Elizabeth Hogue, born October 10, 1916, in Cleburne, Johnson County, Texas. Died January 6, 1932.

1-d-William Randall Hogue, Jr., born January 3, 1919, at Cleburne, Johnson County, Texas. He married Freda Lewis, Cleburne, Texas. One child was born of this marriage:

d-1-Phyllis Ann Hogue, born July 24, 1942, at Vallejo, California

William Randall Hogue, Jr., married Delores Mae Wiley, March 11, 1950. She was born January 11, 1933, at San Jose, California. Their children are:

d-2-Kathy Marie Hogue, born December 14, 1950, at San Mateo, California

d-3-Karen Elizabeth Hogue, born February 15, 1952, at San Mateo, California

1-e-Rhema Dell Hogue, born March 12, 1923, at Cleburne, Johnson County, Texas. She married Austin Clarence Lee, June 20, 1940. He was born August 7, 1918, at Durant, Oklahoma. Their children are:

e-1-Lynda Bertie Lee, born March 3, 1941;

e-2-Stephen Austin Lee, born December 3, 1942;

e-3-Deborah Carol Lee, born September 20, 1951;

William Randall Hogue, Sr., married Audrey Sparks Dillard, July 2, 1942. She was born September 25, 1904. No children born of this marriage. She had one child by former marriage, a son, Cub F. Dillard, Jr., born August 15, 1924, at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

2-Elzie Allen Hogue, born September 6, 1886, in Limestone County, Texas. He died March 22, 1930. He married and had one son:

2-a-Elzie Allen Hogue, Jr., born September 16, 1918, at Fort Worth, Texas. He was adopted by William Randall Hogue, Sr., on May 1, 1930, at Cleburne, Texas.

3-Jesse Elmer Hogue, born January 27, 1888, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Florence Marie Wilkie, March 1, 1916. She was born February 26, 1898, in Houston, Harris County, Texas. Their children are:

3-a-William Edward Hogue, born December 5,1917, in Galveston County, Texas

3-b-Dorothy Marie Hogue, born February 13, 1919, in Galveston County, Texas. She married Herbert J. Wey, May 2, 1941. He was born July 4, 1917, at Rivista, Texas. Their children are:

b-1-Robert Jerome Wey, born September 14, 1942, in Harris County, Texas

b-2-Jeanne Marie Wey, born February 7, 1944, in Harris County, Texas

b-3-Nancy Anne Wey, born July 16, 1946, in Harris County, Texas

b-4-Frederic William Wey, born January 29, 1949, in Harris County, Texas

b-5-Susan Diane Wey, born September 4, 1951, in Harris County, Texas

3-c-Florence Rosalie Hogue, born February 23, 1922, in Galveston County, Texas. She married James Monroe Rush, February 3, 1941. He was born March 27, 1909, at Batson, Texas. Their children are:

c-1-James Monroe Rush, Jr., born November 13, 1942;
c-2-Donald William Rush, born May 3, 1944;
3-d-Jesse Elmer Hogue, Jr., born January 10, 1924, in Galveston County, Texas. Died March 1, 1926.
3-e-James Patrick Hogue, born March 17, 1926, in Galveston County, Texas.

4-Ruby Corrine Hogue, born March 15, 1890, in Limestone County, Texas. Died July 17, 1891.

5-Myrtle Alice Hogue, born January 7, 1892, at Lampasas, Texas. She married Edgar Franklin Sproles, February 3, 1911. He was born July 10, 1890, at McKinney, Collin County, Texas. Their children are:
5-a-Jessie D. Sproles, born October 10, 1911, at Belton, Texas. She married Clifton Alonzo Morris, July 16, 1927. Their children are:
a-1-Clifford Allen Morris, born May 31, 1928, at Victoria, Texas
a-2-Edgar Arthur Morris, born August 4, 1930, at Victoria, Texas
a-3-Jimmy Royce Morris, born July 20, 1932, at Victoria, Texas
a-4-Lonny Clyde Morris, born November 9, 1942, at Galveston, Texas
5-b-Edgar Allen Sproles, born February 10, 1913, at Belton, Texas. He married Lavada Lilly Janes, March 31, 1934. Their child which was adopted, is:
b-1-Don Allen Sproles, born July 6, 1947;
5-c-Enayee Florence Sproles, born October 1, 1917, at Bruceville, Texas. She married Bruce Oliver Gassaway, November 6, 1943. Their child is:
c-1-Cheryl Ann Gassaway, born October 2, 1947, at Victoria, Texas
5-d-Lucy Mae Sproles, born March 27, 1921, at Bridgeport, Wise County, Texas. She married Robert Harrist, December__, 1947. Their children are:
d-1-Alice Annette Harrist, born October 26, 1949, at Victoria, Texas.
d-2-Micheal Ed Harrist, born December 14, 1951, at El Campo, Texas
5-e-Marjorie Earl Sproles, born January 18, 1923, at Victoria, Texas. She married Ernest George Green, January 17, 1941. Their children are:
e-1-Margie Nell Green, born February 1, 1942, at Victoria, Texas
e-2-Billyee Sue Green, born November 2, 1944, at Victoria, Texas
5-f-Billy Franklin Sproles, born July 21, 1925, at Victoria, Texas. He married Bessie Ann Mueller, April 21, 1948. Their children are:
f-1-Kathy Elizabeth Sproles, born September 16, 1949
f-2-Patricia Ann Sproles, born June 24, 1951
Great-grandchildren of Myrtle Alice Hogue Sproles are:
Ronald Linn Morris, born May 17, 1948;
Brenda Lee Morris, born July 28, 1949

6-Harry Hartcell Hogue, born August 11, 1896,

at Cleburne, Texas. Died December 15, 1897.

BLANCHE LIZZIE HOGUE married Allen Warren Milstead, January 2, 1886. One child was born of this marriage:

1-Willie Warren Milstead, born October 11, 1886, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Lela Josephine Martin, October___, 1910. He died February 12, 1948. one child was born of this marriage:

1-a-Leland Warren Milstead, born June 21,1912, at Altus, Oklahoma. He married Francis Morris, August ___, 1934. He died September 20, 1938. One child was born of this marriage:

a-1-Francis Warren Milstead, born September 27, 1935, at Dallas, Texas

Blanche Lizzie Milstead married John Henry Jones, July 21, 1896. He was born February 10, 1864, in Limestone County, Texas. She died July 8, 1943, and he died April 7, 1937. Their children are:

2-Monte C. Jones, born December 10, 1898, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Ila Almeda Payne, March 24, 1927. She was born May 2, 1909, at Rice, Navarro County, Texas. He died January 2, 1948. Their children are:

2-a-Monte Jenell Jones, born April 16, 1931, in Henderson County, Texas. She married Richard Darrell Jones, July 7, 1951. He was born August 4, 1930, at Percilla, Houston County, Texas.

2-b-Reba Ann Jones, born February 26, 1940, in Henderson County, Texas

3-Reginald Lionel Jones, born January 15, 1901, in Limestone County, Texas. He died March 4, 1920, in Freestone County, Texas.

4-Harry Marshall Jones, born January 18, 1903, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Icie Oline Daniel, November 18, 1924. She was born July 11, 1907, in Van Zandt County, Texas. Their children are:

4-a-Harry Daniel Jones, born and died June 6, 1926, in Henderson County, Texas

4-b-Hazel Edna Jones, born July 23, 1928, in Henderson County, Texas. She married Linden R. Lewis, July 31, 1949. He was born November 7, 1927, in Henderson County, Texas.

4-c-Patricia Louise Jones, born April 30, 1932, in Henderson County, Texas. She married Buck Gibbs, Jr., June 2, 1949. He was born May 8, 1928, in Henderson County, Texas. Their children are:

c-1-Deborah Nan Gibbs, born November 20, 1950, in Smith County, Texas

c-2-Rebecca Lee Gibbs, born September 8, 1952, in Henderson County, Texas

4-d-John Weldon Jones, born November 30, 1934, in Henderson County, Texas.

5-Mary Jane Jones, born January 28, 1906, in Hedric, Oklahoma. She married J. Clayton Freeman, January 2, 1924. He was born July 6, 1902, in Navarro County, Texas. Their children are:

5-a-John Wesley Freeman, born October 13, 1924, in Navarro County, Texas. He married Lois McGary, January 26, 1946. She was born October 26, 1928, in Cameron, Milam County, Texas. Their child, which is a stepson and also adopted, is:

a-1-Stanley Freeman, born April 10, 1945, in Milam County, Texas

5-b-Mary Elizabeth Freeman, born March 18, 1928, in Navarro County, Texas. She married Joe Loden, April 18, 1947. He was born November 26, 1919, in Henderson County, Texas.

5-c-Monte Ray Freeman, born February 12, 1930, in Navarro County, Texas

5-d-Donald Lynn Freeman, born May 17, 1932, in Navarro County, Texas

5-e-Jane LaNell Freeman, born February 4, 1939, in Navarro County, Texas

5-f-Sharon Ann Freeman, born October 16, 1944, in Navarro County, Texas. Died October 16, 1944.

6-Melba Iola Jones, born July 6, 1909, at Altus, Oklahoma. She married Jesse Lee Wood, May 29, 1926. He was born June 21, 1900, in Navarro County, Texas. Their children are:

6-a-Juanita Fae Wood, born July 16, 1930, in Van Zandt County, Texas. She married Thomas Elton Stewart, February 10, 1950. He was born October 26, 1930, in Dallas County, Texas.

6-b-Aldon Lowery Wood, born November 5, 1932, in Navarro County, Texas. He married Florence Dean Long, October 20, 1951. She was born January 13, 1933, in Harris County, Texas. Their child is:

b-1-Nita Ann Wood, born July 22, 1952, in Galveston County, Texas

Stepchildren of Blanche Lizzie Hogue Jones, are:

Major Ernest Jones, born July 21, 1890;
John LaBell Jones King, born February 6, 1892;

ALICE JANE HOGUE married William Harrison Palmer on February 7, 1889. He was born May 15, 1866, in Essex County, New Jersey. He died March 10, 1940.
Their children are:

1-Freddie Dee Palmer, born November 18, 1889, in Limestone County, Texas.

2-Arthur Rush Palmer, born September 2, 1891, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Nellie Peckham, December 7, 1907. She was born February __, 1891, at Omaha, Neb. Their children are:

2-a-Royce Zola Palmer, born April 14, 1909, in Dallas, Texas

2-b-Irbie Clyce Palmer, born
at Richmond, Virginia
Arthur Rush Palmer married Annie Mason, May 21, 1916. She was born in Bastrop County, Texas, November 21, 1897. Their children are:
2-c-Boyce Arthur Palmer, born April 21, 1917, at Bastrop, Texas
2-d-Diamond Elsie Palmer, born October 18, 1919, at San Antonio, Texas
2-e-Alvin Lewis Palmer, born September 17, 1922, at Whittier, California

3-Ora Inez Palmer, born March 11, 1896, in Limestone County, Texas. Married a man by name of Reeves. She died January __, 1935.

4-Alvie Octavia Palmer, born March 20, 1898, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Mary Leona Barbee, May 21, 1916. She was born September 7, 1897, at DeLeon, Texas. She died May 15, 1939. Their children are:
4-a-Evelyn Drell Palmer, born November 25, 1917, in Grayson County, Texas
4-b-Wallace Harrison Palmer, born November 6, 1921, in Grayson County, Texas
4-c-Dorothy Eileen Palmer, born October 2, 1924, in Los Angeles,County California
4-d-Wilma Fay Palmer, born August 14, 1928, in Los Angeles County, California
4-e-Carolyn Joan Palmer, born June 22, 1934, in Los Angeles County, California
4-f-Alvie Ogden Palmer, Jr., born March 19, 1936, in Los Angeles County, California
Alvie Octavia Palmer married Evelyn Rose Sickles, November 17, 1940. She was born September 25, 1902, in Hollywood, California. No children of this Marriage.

5-Hazel Verne Palmer, born August 31, 1900, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Zenobia Dellatte, December __, 1919. She was born at McComb, Mississippi. She died March __, 1922. One child was born of this marriage:
5-a-Evelyn Idell Palmer, born October 16, 1920. She married J.B. Brewer. Lives in Sherman, McKinney or Dallas, Texas.
Hazel Verne Palmer married Eleanora Willma Koker, February 9, 1925. No children of this marriage.

6-Nolie Wayne Palmer, born June 23, 1903, in Limestone County, Texas

7-Zola Harry Palmer, born July 11, 1908, in Fannin County, Texas. He married Thelma Virginia Slagle, August 9, 1930. She was born February 18, 1909, in Grayson County, Texas. Their children are:

7-a-Patricia Jean Palmer, born June 11, 1939, in Los Angeles County, California
7-b-William Keith Palmer, born December 22, 1944, in Los Angeles County, California

SARAH KATE HOGUE married Henry W. Palmer, June 18, 1892. He was born August 25, 1869, at Madison, Indiana. He died June 19, 1942. Their children are:

1- Infant son) Twins, born and died November 16,
2- Infant daughter) 1896.

3-Louie Emerson Palmer, born December 7, 1898, at Honey Grove, Fannin County, Texas. He married Jewel Davis, September 11, 1919. She was born July 2, 1902, in Limestone County, Texas. One child was born of this marriage:
3-a-Virginia Jean Palmer, born October 29, 1925, at Kosse, Limestone County, Texas. She married Buford Jones, September 6, 1943. He was born January 6, 1923, at Kosse, Texas. Their child is:
a-1-David Jones, born October 2, 1944, at Waco, Texas

4-Flossie Ruby Elva Palmer, born August 12, 1908, at Altus, Oklahoma. She married William Edward Case, March 4, 1925. He was born July 31, 1901, at Marlin, Falls County, Texas. He died March 10, 1946. Their children are:
4-a-William Henry Case, born and died February 5, 1926, in Limestone County, Texas.
4-b-Mary Katherine Case, born January 11, 1928, at Corpus Christi, Texas. She married Joseph Anthony Massaro, August 26, 1944. He was born in Brooklyn New York. Their children are:
b-1-William Edward Massaro, born February 5, 1946, at Massapeque, New York
b-2-Ronald Joe Massaro, born February 25, 1947, at Massapeque, New York
b-3-Joseph Anthony Massaro, Jr., born January 28, 1952, at Bethpage, New York
4-c-Jack Carlton Case, born September 26, 1932, at Corpus Christi, Texas. He married Beverly Burton, December 15, 1951.
4-d-Robert Louis Case, born April 2, 1934, at Corpus Christi, Texas
4-e-Ruby Merle Case, born July 31, 1936, at Corpus Christi, Texas
4-f-Janet Case, born November 16, 1943, at Corpus Christi, Texas
Flossie Elva Case married C.E. Boulware, December 26, 1947. Five boys and one girl are stepchildren.

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MOLLIE OCTAVIA HOGUE married John Woody Gray, October 29, 1905. He was born March 21, 1884, at Donie, Freestone County, Texas. Mollie O. Gray died July 1, 1937. John W. Gray died

April 25,1952. Both are buried in cemetery at Channing, Hartley County, Texas. They adopted one child:

1-Resa Pearl Gray, born April 4, 1920, at Fort Worth, Texas. She married Harold Tarr, of Hoover, Gray County, Texas

MATTIE VICTORIA HOGUE married Sidney J. Nance, August 8, 1895. He was born September 27, 1872, in Bastrop County, Texas. Mattie V. Nance died October 10, 1918. Sidney J. Nance died October 6, 1945. Both are buried in cemetery at Thornton, Texas. Their children are:

1-Irbie G. Nance, born August 6, 1896, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Mamie Miranda Walker, November 9, 1917. She was born April 10, 1897, in Limestone County, Texas. She died August 11, 1943. Their children are:

1-a-Janice Marie Nance, born September 12, 1918, in Limestone County, Texas. She married William J.Bryant Richardson,(1) April 10, 1937. He was born January 9, 1915, in Limestone County, Texas. Their children are:

a-1-David Bryant Richardson, born November 23, 1942, in Harris County, Texas

a-2-Cheryl Kaye Richardson, born September 12, 1947, in Harris County, Texas

1-b-Baby Girl, born and died January 23, 1920, in Limestone County, Texas.

1-c-Granval Jason Nance, born February 2, 1921, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Janell Seawright, August 17, 1943. She was born September 13, 1923, in Limestone County, Texas. Their children are: (2)

c-1-Larry Jason Nance, born July 29, 1944, in Falls County, Texas

c-2-Linda Carol Nance, born March 13, 1951, in Limestone County, Texas

c-3-Ronnie Glenn Nance, born November 26, 1952, in Falls County, Texas

1-d-Irbie Geneva Nance, born July 15, 1922, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Oswin T. Denman, September 20, 1943. He was born November 27, 1913, in Houston County, Texas. Their children are:

d-1-Byron Denman, born April 9, 1946, in Jack County, Texas

d-2-Pamela Denman, born November 28, 1948, in Williamson County, Texas

d-3-Debra Denman, born October 5, 1953, in Commanche County, Texas

1-e-Sarah Pearl Nance, born June 20, 1924, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Edgar Ogg Allen, Jr., October 11, 1946. He was born August 1, 1908, at Shreveport, Louisiana.

1-f-Mary Lane Nance, born August 18, 1928, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Thomas H. McBay,(3) December 3, 1949. He was born August 17, 1924, in Limestone County, Texas. Their child is:
f-1-Susan Lane McBay, born November 14, 1950, in Limestone County, Texas

1-g-Martha Jane Nance (twin to Mary Lane Nance) born August 18, 1928, in Limestone County, Texas

Irbie G. Nance married Lou Willie McClure, April 23, 1949. She was born March 9, 1910, in Limestone County, Texas. No children were born of this marriage, but two girls and one boy are step-children.

2-Louie D. Nance, born June 29, 1900, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Bertha Belle Walker, October 28, 1917. She was born October 1, 1901, in Limestone County, Texas. Their children are:
2-a-Walker Phlenoye Nance, born August 22, 1919, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Irma Alvie Wright, February 4, 1941. She was born August 26, 1915, in Harris County, Texas. Their children are: (4)
a-1-Billy Wayne Nance, born February 27, 1942, in Harris County, Texas
a-2-Michael Timothy Nance, born August 28, 1943, in Harris County, Texas

2-b-Mary Helen Nance, born April 12, 1921, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Clopton A. Miles, Jr.,(5) August 29, 1942. He was born February 29, 1912, in Liberty County, Texas.

2-c-Billy Jay Nance, born April 10, 1926, in Limestone County, Texas. (6) He married Mary Lee Dendy, December 23, 1947. She was born October 12, 1925, in Jackson, Mississippi. Their children are:
c-1-Sharon Lee Nance, born November 19, 1949, in Wichita County, Texas
c-2-David Jay Nance, born September 19, 1952, in Shreveport, Louisiana

2-d-Charles Wayne Nance, born November 28, 1931, in Limestone County, Texas

3-Tava Pearl Nance, born November 11, 1903, in Limestone County, Texas. She married Henry James Loughlin, April 16, 1933. He was born November 5, 1900, in Dallas County, Texas. He died September 18, 1939.

4-Robbie Glynn Nance, born July 22, 1909, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Zela Louise Reagan, July 21, 1933. She was born November 22, 1911, in Robertson County, Texas. Their children are:
4-a-Glynn D. Nance, born February 14, 1936, in Limestone County, Texas

4-b-Anita Louise Nance, born August 23, 1946, in Falls County, Texas

5-Chester Hogue Nance (7), born February 11, 1916, in Limestone County, Texas. He married Stella Mae Johnson, May 12, 1934. She was born May 6, 1910, in Navarro County, Texas.

Sidney J. Nance married Myrtle Winfield, March 10, 1920, and one son was born of this marriage.
James Winfield Nance, born July 26, 1923, in Dallas County, Texas

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(1) Wm.J.B. RICHARDSON, Serial No. 38 547 826, was inducted into service in World War II, January 10, 1944 in Houston, Texas. Entered service January 31, 1944 and trained at Fort McClellan, Alabama. He was Supply Clerk 835 and promoted to Sergeant. Held rank of Technician Fourth Grade with 1051 Engineers Port Construction and Repairs. Sailed for foreign service July 27, 1944 from Camp Patrick Henry, Virginia and landed in Naples, Italy August 12, 1944.

Participation in Battles and Campaigns were: Rome Arno; North Appennines; Rhineland and Central Europe.

Decorations and citations received were: EAME Campaign Medal; Good Conduct; Four Bronze Stars to EAME; Victory Ribbon and Two Overseas Stripes.

Left Europe for U.S.A., December 15, 1945 and landed December 24, 1945. Final Separation - December 31, 1945.

(2) GRANVAL J. NANCE, Serial No. 299256. Volunteered for service in World War II, with Naval Air Corp at Houston, Texas, on May 5, 1942 and was sworn in June 1, 1942, in Dallas, Texas as a Seaman 2/C to serve for ten years in the Naval Reserve. Received Civilian Pilot Training, Baylor University, Waco, Texas; Pre-flight training at University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia; Primary Flight Training at Naval Air Station, Dallas, Texas; Basic and Advanced Flight training, Pensacola, Florida.

September 17, 1943 awarded Navy Wings of Gold and Commissioned as an Ensign, then to Lake City, Florida for Operational Flight Training in Twin-engine Land Bases Patrol Planes. More training at NAS, Beaufort, South Carolina. Ordered to Norfolk, Virginia, January 1, 1944 for further transfer to Patrol Squadron VPB-130 for Anti-Submarine Warfare. Rocket training followed at Quonset Point, Rhode Island.

July 1, 1944, flew Trans-Continental to Naval Air Station, Alameda, California. August 1, 1944, the Squadron's twin-engine planes were loaded aboard a carrier and sailed under the Golden Gate to the Pacific. From August 12, 1944 to October 1, 1944, received combat training on the Islands of Hawaii. From October 1, 1944 to November 1, 1944, flew "Island Hopping" from Hawaii to Leyte Island of the Philippine Islands. Engaged in combat flights supporting the liberation of the Phillippine Islands until December 20, 1944. Promoted to Lt. j.g., on January 1, 1945. Then, to May 1, 1945, stationed on Morotai Island with anti-shipping flights and support of

invasions of Mindinao, Zamboana Harbor and Borneo.

May 1, 1945, sailed for home from Manus Island of Admiralty Island Group by way of Guam and Pearl Harbor, arriving San Diego, California, June 1, 1945. Stationed at NAS, Corpus Christi, Texas as an instructor in Fighter Squadrons to December 1, 1945.

Medals awarded: Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal, Four Gold Stars, in lieu of Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Air Medals.

Campaign Medals awarded: American; Asiatic-Pacific; Philippine Liberation, and Victory Medal of World War II.

Ordered to inactive duty in Naval Reserve, December 1, 1945.

April 1, 1952, ordered for return to active duty for indefinite period, and promoted to Lt.USNR. Refresher Flight Training, NAS, Dallas, Texas. Further assignment in San Diego, California. Attended Advanced Underseas Weapon School at Key West, Florida.

September 1, 1952, returned to Fleet Aircraft Service Squadron Seven at San Diego, and ordered to Fleet Air Craft Service Squadron 120 in Japan as Officer-in-Charge of Special Weapons. September 15, 1952, reported to Squadron in Oppama, Japan, and sent to Fasron 120 Detachment at Iwakuni, Japan and progressed in Command to Assistant-Officer-in-Charge of Fleet Aircraft Service Squadron, 120 Detachment, Iwakuni, Japan.

Medals received so far in this tour of duty, are: The United Nations and the Korean Service Campaign Medals.

(3) THOMAS H. McBAY, Serial No. 38 627 467, entered active service in World War II, January 5, 1944. Received training in Camp Fannin, Tyler, Texas; Fort Meade, Maryland; Camp Rucker, Alabama; Fort Benning, Georgia, and Camp Patrick Henry, Virginia. Promoted to PFC in Company E, 362 Infantry. Overseas service was in Italy from July 1, 1944 to September 1, 1945. Participations in Battles and Campaigns were: Rome Arno-2; Northern Appennines-3, and Po Valley, Discharged February 5, 1946. Medals and Awards recieved were: Infantry Badge; Good Conduct Medal; Three Campaign Stars, and World War II Victory Medal.

(4) WALKER P. NANCE, Serial No. 38 673 730, was inducted into World War II, March 4, 1944 at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. Basic training at Camp Hood, Texas. Sent to Service Company, 18th Armored Infantry Battalion, 16th Armored Division at Camp Chaffee, Fort Smith, Arkansas for further training and maneuvers. Division moved to Camp Shank, New York in January 1945 and sailed from there February 5, 1945. Landed in LeHarve, France, 14 days later. Drove gasoline and supply truck until War ended, serving in France, Belgium, Germany and Czechoslovakia. Was in contact with enemy last seventeen days of War. Participated in liberation and entered Pilsen, Czechoslovakia May 6, 1945. War ended May 8, 1945. Received Combat Infantryman's Badge and one Battle Star. Was made Private First Class shortly after landing in France and remained PFC, while in service.

Did occupation duty from May 1945 until January 1946.

Spent thirteen weeks guarding SS troops at Dachau Concentration Camp, near Munich, Germany. Sailed for U.S.A. in February, 1946 from LeHarve, France, and discharged at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. February 23, 1946. Final discharge March 12, 1946.

(5) CLOPTON A. MILES, JR., Serial No. AO-515061, enlisted as a private United States Air Force at Love Field, Texas, November 1, 1942, and was assigned Ferrying Division Air Transport Command. Completed Officer's Training School and commissioned First Lieutenant United States Air Force in March 1943. Transferred to Third Operational Training Unit as instructor pilot at Reno, Nevada, in November, 1943. Completed Air Force 4-engine and navigation school at Homestead, Florida, in March 1945, and assigned as pilot to China-Burma-India Theater. Promoted to rank of Captain January, 1945. Completed tour of duty in CBi Theater in April, 1946, returned to United States and discharged, April, 1946. Awarded Air Medal in CBI Theater.

(6) Billy Jay Nance, Serial No. 473327, enlisted January 19, 1944, in V-12 Unit of United States Navy. Trained from March 1, 1944 to June 1, 1945, V-12 Unit, Jackson, Mississippi; From June 1, 1945 to November 1, 1945 NROTC Unit, New Orleans, Louisiana; Thence to June 1, 1946, NROTC Unit, Austin, Texas, completing this training and commissioned an Ensign, DL, USNR, on June 5, 1946. Thence to October 3, 1946, served on board U.S. General J.C. Breckinridge, AP 176, in Pacific area of operation. Released to inactive duty, October 3, 1946.

June 5, 1949--Promoted to present rank of Lieutenant, Junior Grade in United States Naval Reserve.

(7) CHESTER H. NANCE, Serial No. 386 44 085, was inducted on February 2, 1945, at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. Private, Company D, of the 87th Training Division, Camp Roberts, California. Medical discharge, July 2, 1945.

(The above service records were assembled and compiled by Pearl Nance Loughlin)

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